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BRITAIN READY FOR CRISIS.

SHAFORCE TROOPS MAY GO TO TIENTSIN.

NORTHERN SUCCESSES RELIEVE THE SITUATION.

HANKOW CLASH EXPLAINED

The fighting between Chen Chien's forces and those of Li Chung-ye in Hankow yesterday was in consequence of the detention of the former general, who apparently sought to dominate Hunan affairs. The Hankow Political Council is urging the dismissal of General Chen Chien, and Nanking is considering the dissolution of the Council.

Meanwhile, Mr. Hwang Fu has resigned his post as Minister for Foreign Affairs, pressure having been brought to bear by the Cantonese clique. Dr. C. T. Wang is his likely successor.

British naval wireless messages indicate that the Northern forces are meeting with success in their new offensives and that Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang's cavalry have been forced to retire at Hoken, while the Shansi forces have suffered a reverse at Nanchow.

In the House of Commons, questions have been asked regarding British troops sent to Weihaiwei, and it was disclosed that a battalion of the Shanghai Defence Force has been sent there in readiness for assistance at Tientsin if the necessity arises.

NANKING FOREIGN MINISTER RESIGNS.

Shanghai, May 22. Much interest has been aroused by a Hankow telegram received yesterday to the effect that a clash occurred in Hankow between the troops of the 7th Nationalist Army, under General Li Chung-ye and those of the 6th Nationalist Army, under General Chen Chien.

Communication with Peking has been interrupted owing to the cutting of the cable. It seems likely that part of the Nagoya Division of Japanese troops will be sent up to Tientsin.—Naval Wireless.

Chingwangtao Defences. The Japanese authorities are strengthening the guard on the railway and also that at the wireless station. Six aeroplanes are likely to arrive from Korea to-morrow.—Naval Wireless.

Northern Offensive. Shanghai, May 22. Marshal Sun Chuan-fang and General Chu Yu-pu have commenced a counter-attack but details of the operation are not available at present.

Chang Tso-lin has appointed General Chang Tso-hsiang, tuyen of Kirin, chief of the garrison troops in Peking and Tientsin.

General Chang Hsueh-liang and Yang Yu-ting are directing operations at the front, and it is expected that a severe clash between the Fengtien and Nationalist troops will ensue shortly on the Peking-Hankow line.

General Chen Chien Detained. Shanghai, May 23. The fighting between the 6th and 7th Nationalist Armies in Hankow broke out as a consequence of General Chen Chien having been placed under detention by General Li Chung-ye, on the orders of the Hankow Political Council.

The Council issued the order after a special meeting held on Monday, and instructed General Li to carry it out immediately. The complaint against General Chen is that he insists on controlling the civil and financial affairs of Hunan Province, thereby ignoring the functions of the Hupei-Hunan Financial Readjustment Committee.

The Hankow Political Council has now wired to the Nanking Government asking it to issue an order for the dismissal of General Chen. It is expected that the Nanking Government will call a meeting to-day for the purpose of dealing with the incident.

General opinion is that the Nanking Government will order the dissolution of the Hankow Political Council and the formation of a Hunan Government as soon as possible.—Nam Chung Pao.

SOUTHERNERS SET BACK. Northern Forces Fighting Back. Naval Wireless messages received in Hongkong this morning indicate that recent fighting has gone against the Southern forces. The Northern forces are in touch with the Shensi troops at Nanchow and also with Feng's cavalry at Hokenfu.

Japanese Reinforcements. Tsingtao, May 22. The Japanese naval rating and marines which have been on shore duty for some time are returning to their ships. Their duties are being taken over by troops, 4,000 men of the Nagoya Division having arrived here.—Naval Wireless.

Contrary to Practice. Replying to Sir Frederick Hall, Mr. Locker-Lampson said (Continued on Page 14.)

JAPAN'S DENIAL OF AGGRESSION.

PERMANENT FOOTING NOT DESIGNED.

U. S. ACTION IN NICARAGUA IS CITED.

WITHDRAWAL PROMISE

Tokyo, May 23. The groundlessness of the suspicions of Japan's intentions in China were emphasised this morning in a personal interview granted by Lieut. General Hata, the Vice-Minister for War, to Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo.

Press reports which had reached Japan, he said, had been taken to indicate that there were apprehensions abroad that Japan's recent military movements foreshadowed the establishment of permanent control of Shantung and the formation of a Protectorate in Manchuria.

"Nothing, however, is further from our minds," he said. "Soldiers Must Obey."

"The so-called militarists in Japan are frequently accused of forcing the Government to adopt a high-handed policy in China, but the fact is that the soldier in Japan is merely an instrument of the civil Government, just the same as in England, America and other countries."

"As soldiers, we can advise the Government, but we must obey and not command them," declared Lieut. Gen. Hata.

"Baron Tanaka, the Premier, has publicly declared the intention of withdrawing the troops from Shantung as soon as the present danger is past and as soon as apologies have been made, and appropriate punishment meted out to those responsible for the outrage against our countrymen."

Won't Break Word. "Japan has never been known to break her word," declared the Vice-Minister for War, "and she will not break it now."

"In the case of Manchuria, we still hope it will prove unnecessary for us to send more troops, but if circumstances forces us to do so, you may rest assured they will be withdrawn at the earliest possible opportunity, just the same as in 1925 at the conclusion of the Kuo Sang-li Rebellion."

"Every country with interests in China has been obliged within recent years to take steps which they would not dream of applying where a normal Government is functioning."

Judge by Circumstances. Lieut. General Hata admitted that Japan's determination to keep the Civil War out of Manchuria goes further, perhaps, than the measures taken elsewhere in China by other Powers, but the Japanese action must be judged by the circumstances.

"It is better for Japan to wait until bandit armies have swept over Manchuria and reduced the province to ruins, and that Japan should step in now and save her from sharing the fate of the other provinces?"

Anglo-American Action Cited. "England's timely action prevented chaos in Shanghai last year, and America did not hesitate to send troops to protect her countrymen in Nicaragua."

"Surely Japan cannot be blamed if she adopts similar precautionary measures in Manchuria," concluded Lieut. General Hata.—Reuter.

YANG SEN STILL AT WANHSIEN?

KWEICHOW REPORT NOW DOUBTFUL.

Shanghai, May 22. Messages from the upper river make it appear that the recent report of General Yang Sen making his headquarters at Kweichow was incorrect. Yang Sen is apparently still in the vicinity of Wanhsien.—Naval Wireless.

MINER SAVED BY A MIRACLE.

ONLY ONE ALIVE IN THE MATHER DISASTER.

BURIED FOR 60 HOURS.

New York, May 22. A miraculous escape from death is reported from the Mather Mine at Brownsville, where rescue workers have come across one man, seriously affected but still alive, after six hours' burial in the fallen earth.

He had the good fortune to be confined in an air-lock and is expected to recover.

Dead bodies of the victims of the explosion are still being taken out, and the death-roll has now reached 82.

It is established that 115 men have still to be accounted for, and it is feared that their names will have to be added to the list of dead.

In view of the miraculous escape recorded, however, the rescue parties are re-doubling their efforts.—Reuter's American Service.

MAJOR FITZMAURICE ENRAGED?

FLIER TO TAKE AMERICAN NATIONALITY.

New York, May 22. The newspapers to-day publish reports to the effect that Major Fitzmaurice, one of the Atlantic fliers, who accompanied Kehl and von Huesfeld in the "Bremen" is so charmed "with the benefits of this wonderful country" that he has decided to become an American citizen.

The report, it is stated, is not surprising as it has been expected for some time that he would resign his commission with the Irish Free State and enter the field of commercial aviation in America.—Reuter's American Service.

Montreal, May 22. The three "Bremen" fliers have arrived here. They were welcomed by large crowds and were the guests of honour at an official banquet.—Reuter's American Service.

TWO MORE POISON GAS FATALITIES.

OVER 170 VICTIMS NOW IN HOSPITAL.

Hamburg, May 22. Two further victims of the phosgene gas escape have died in hospital, bringing the death-roll to ten.

Over 170 others are now in hospital undergoing treatment, and in many cases, the effect of the gas is serious.

The Police have made a house to house search and have confiscated all foodstuffs likely to have been affected by the poison gas.—Reuter.

BANKNOTE BILL IS PASSED.

THIRD READING GRANTED BY COMMONS.

London, May 22. The House of Commons has passed the third reading of the Currency and Banknotes Bill, which in accordance with the Budget provisions, legalises the amalgamation of currency notes with the Bank of England notes.—Reuter.

DISASTROUS FIRE ON STEAMER.

NINETEEN PERISH IN THE UKRAINE.

Moscow, May 22. Nineteen persons perished in a fire which broke out to-day on a steamer Leo Tolstol, which was proceeding from Dnepropetrovsk to Kieff.—Reuter.

WHERE D'YOU GET THAT HAT?

NEW ANTI-JAPANESE CAMPAIGN.

EXTRAORDINARY SCENE ON THE PRAYA.

Anti-Japanese demonstrations have been less pronounced within the last twenty-four hours, but a number of agitators have been arrested for distributing what are described as "seditious" pamphlets.

These are primarily anti-Japanese, but it is understood they are also anti-imperialist, and very violent in character.

Police vigilance is being maintained and measures are being taken, not only to quell any disturbance which may arise, but also to instil confidence and to restore order amongst the irresponsible classes.

P.W.D. Employee. Among those arrested yesterday for distributing "seditious" pamphlets was a fitter in the employ of the Public Works Department named Li Yau, aged 23. Others include Fung Lam, 31 years of age, of no occupation and no fixed abode, Lo Mei, 33 years of age, described as a coolie, living in No. 2 Tai Wong Street, and Lal Chosang, a shroff, living at 118 Praya East.

"These four men were arraigned before Lt. Col. F. Eaves, D.S.O., acting first Magistrate, this morning and on the application of the police, were remanded for a week.

The police told his Worship that the remand was necessary in order that the documents seized could be translated by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Shroff Pleads Not Guilty. When the charges of possession of seditious literature were outlined, the first and second man pleaded guilty. The coolie, Lo Mei, said that he was one of a large audience who heard an oration and was handed one of the pamphlets whilst he was listening to the speaker. The fourth man, the shroff pleaded not guilty.

As regards bail, Sergeant Whelan, who prosecuted, said he had been instructed to oppose bail, unless it was in a substantial amount. His Worship pointed out that bail had not been sought.

Hat Smashing Campaign. Before Major C. Willson, a Chinese was charged with smashing hats worn by two travelling traders yesterday. He was also charged with possession of seditious literature.

Police statements to the Magistrate showed that as two travelling traders were proceeding along Connaught Road West, near the Empress Hotel, they were met by the defendant who enquired of the first man: "Where did you get that hat?"

The hat in question was a straw, and without waiting for a reply from the wearer, the defendant knocked it off and smashed it "in." The defendant treated the second travelling trader in similar manner smashing his hat in addition.

Seditious Papers. Having ruined two hats, the defendant told the first trader he would have to buy a new one and offered to replace the hat worn by the second travelling trader with one of Chinese make.

The extraordinary action naturally drew a crowd and the police were soon attracted to the scene. Defendant was arrested. At the time of the arrest he was carrying an umbrella and later it was found that a quantity of anti-Japanese papers were concealed in it.

Pleading guilty to the charge of damaging the hats, the defendant was ordered by his Worship to pay \$2 compensation to each of the two traders.

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AMAZING SCENES IN GREECE.

JOURNALIST SPEAKS FROM PRESS GALLERY.

MINISTERIAL CRISIS.

Athens, May 22. The Cabinet has resigned, and Greece will shortly be in the throes of a general election.

As forecasted, M. Kafandaris, the Minister of Finance and leader of the Progressive Liberal Party, precipitated the crisis by tendering his resignation, due to the divergence between himself and M. Venizelos.

It is probable that M. Kafandaris will form a new political party.

Amazing Sitting. When Parliament re-assembled, the resignation of the Government was announced, and the sitting was suspended. Tsaldarists and Metaxists objected strongly to the suspension and boisterous scenes ensued.

The Speaker was unable to restore order and left the House.

The Vice-Speaker, a Metaxist took the chair, and the Opposition held a short sitting itself, at which no shorthand notes were allowed to be taken.

An amazing feature of the sitting was that a journalist addressed the House from the Press Gallery.—Reuter.

BRITISH AMATEUR GOLF TITLE.

CYRIL TOLLEY AND HOLDER ELIMINATED.

London, May 22. The first two rounds of the British Amateur Golf Championship were played at Prestwick to-day, there being few sensational surprises though the holder was eliminated by Major Hezlet in the first round.

Major H. O. Hezlet is the Irish international, and he has been playing splendid golf in the last month or so, occupying a good place in the Open Championship.

Dr. Tweddell (Stourbridge) the holder, has not shown up too well and it was not particularly surprising that Hezlet triumphed by three and two.

In the second round, Cyril Tolley, an ex-holder, was knocked out by A. McCullum (South Staffs), who won by five up and four to play.—Reuter.

BRITISH CHEMICALS PROSPERITY.

HUGE CAPITAL INCREASE CONTEMPLATED.

London, May 22. The Imperial Chemical Industries, Limited, propose an increase of capital by £20,000,000 to £75,000,000.

It is the intention to create 40,000,000 new shares of 10/- each, the reason advanced being that the "continuous expansion of the Company's business will involve a large expenditure on Capital Account during the coming twelve months."

—Reuter.

BELGIUM READY TO JOIN.

MR. KELLOGG'S ANTI-WAR TREATY.

Brussels, May 22. The Belgian Government has been giving consideration to the anti-war treaty sponsored by Mr. Frank B. Kellogg, and will shortly inform Washington that the Belgian Government is prepared to adhere.—Reuter.

DUTCH AND THE ARMS BILL.

Passed After Nearly Three Years. The Hague, May 22. The Second Chamber has passed, by 64 votes to ten, the Bill approving the Treaty of June 17th, 1925, regarding the control of the international trade in arms and ammunition.—Reuter.

CRICKET WASHOUT AT HOME.

HALLOWS MAKES ANOTHER CENTURY.

COMING YOUNGSTER.

Rain affected cricket all over England in the last three days, and only two matches were completed. Several were abandoned before even one innings had been completed, the principal wash-outs occurring in the South of England, particularly at Lord's and at the Oval.

In spite of the inclement weather, seven centuries were scored, notable among which were 178 by Ashdown of Kent, Hallows 15th century of the season, and the second successive century by Gibbons of Worcester, who until this season had never reached three figures in a first class match.

Kent defeated Northants by an innings, and Lancashire won outright against Warwickshire.

The principal individual performances were as follows:

Batting. Ashdown (Kent) 178
Mead (Hampshire) 129
Dipper (Gloucester) 110
and
V. W. C. Jupp (Northants) 87
Gibbons (Worcester) 107
Cook (Sussex) 105
Hallows (Lancashire) 104

Bowling. Freeman (Kent) 6 for 52
Larwood (Notts) 4 for 9

JUPP'S FINE EFFORT.

Carries His Bat Against Kent. London, May 22. In spite of a brilliant effort by Vallance Jupp who carried his bat through Northampton's second innings, Northampton were unable to avert an innings defeat at the hands of Kent.

Played at Northampton, it was one of the two matches brought to a definite conclusion: Kent won with an innings and 69 runs to spare.

The scores were: Northants: 105 and 233.
Kent: 452 (for 7 wts, decd.)

Northamptonshire collapsed at their initial attempt, the principal damage being effected by Freeman, who took 6 wickets for 52 runs.

Kent made light of the Northants bowling, Ashdown batting splendidly and scoring 178 before his wicket was taken. No other player reached three figures. In the Northants second innings, V.W.C. Jupp contributed 107 not out.

HALLOWS AGAIN.

Lancashire Man's Steady Scoring. Another century by Hallows, his fifth of the season, and maintaining his record of one per match, was the feature of the game at Nelson between Lancashire and Warwickshire.

Lancashire won by 176 runs, the scores being: Lancashire: 204 and 215 (for 2 wickets decd.)
Warwick: 107 and 136.

Warwick replied weakly to Lancashire's moderate first innings effort, and when Hallows scored freely in the second innings it was clear that Warwick chances were extremely remote. Hallows scored 104, being dismissed soon after scoring his fifth century in four matches.

Warwickshire collapsed a second time.

NOTTS GAIN ADVANTAGE.

Larwood's Brilliant Bowling. Larwood, the famous Test cricketer, had an inspired period in the match between Notts and taking four wickets for 9 runs, enabled his side to gain five points for a lead on the first innings.

The scores were: Notts: 203 and 32 (for 1 wicket).
Leicester: 144.

Notts did not make a promising opening, but Larwood brought about a Leicester collapse. Larwood has been suffering from a (Continued on Page 8.)

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A SUCCESSFUL APPEAL.

JUDGMENTS IN THE INFANTS' MORTGAGE CASE.

MR. WOOD DISAGREES.

The infants' mortgage appeal case, which was heard by the full Court of Appeal at the Supreme Court by the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, Sir Peter Grain and Mr. Justice Wood, was disposed of yesterday afternoon when judgment was delivered by Sir Henry Gollan, sitting with Mr. P. Jackson, in which the appeal was allowed. The case centred round a mortgage on Hongkong property for \$400,000 in which two brothers, Lo Kwong-lam and Lo Kwong-hin, asked for their share of the mortgage to be ruled null and void on the ground that they were under 21 years of age when they signed the deeds. The respondents, Li Koon-chun and Kan Tong-po, two elder brothers, alleged that the appellants had falsely represented themselves to be of age.

The original judgment was delivered by Mr. Justice Wood, when he was acting Chief Justice, which was adverse to the younger brothers (plaintiffs and appellants) and against which the appeal was allowed. Both Sir Henry Gollan and Sir Peter Grain ruled the mortgage null and void but Mr. Justice Wood adhered to his original decision in the main, and expressed the opinion that the appeal should be dismissed.

The appellants claimed: 1. A declaration that as regards their interest in one third part of the whole of the property the indenture be declared null and void. 2. A declaration that the covenant to repay was inapplicable to them and was, to that extent, null and void. 3. A declaration that one third part of the mortgaged property was vested in the defendants (respondents) as trustees to have and to hold for the use of the plaintiffs (appellants). 3. An order from the court that the respondents execute an assignment in favour of the appellants of an interest in the property equivalent to one third of the whole.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K. C., together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Messrs. Hall Brunt were for the appellants and the case for the respondents was conducted by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master.

After setting out the history of the case Sir Henry Gollan referred to the parts taken by Mr. T. L. Sung, now dead, a former senior interpreter to Messrs. Denys and Bowley, which is now Messrs. Hastings, Denys and Bowley, and Leung Wing-cheung, in assisting the brothers to obtain their rights when the former demanded 10 per cent. of the value they recovered and later demanded an additional five per cent. for Leung Wing-cheung, alias Walter Ford. According to the evidence a sum totalling 15 per cent was paid to Sung but Leung had sworn the money was paid to him on another account altogether. "It is not material to this case as to the credibility of the evidence on this point. It would be difficult to record final decision upon it satisfactorily without Mr. Sung's evidence. A suspicion remains with me that the plaintiffs and their four brothers have, in this manner, been victimised by their agents in a way for which they themselves are in large measure to blame."

"It is obvious that it was of importance to Sung and Leung that the documents executed on 10th February, 1925, should be signed without any question arising about the infancy of Lam and Hin; if it did the whole transaction might not have gone through. In any case Sung and Leung would not have received their 15 per cent. from the two infants."

Fraud Question.

After dealing with the second mortgage for \$100,000 which, it

was alleged by the plaintiffs, was mainly for the purpose of paying the respective percentages to Sung and Leung, his Lordship went on to deal with the aspect of fraud put forward by the defendants in their pleadings. This was to the effect that the infants fraudulently signed the documents by concealing the fact that they were not of age. It was further alleged that on February 10, 1925, in the office of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, it was stated verbally on behalf of the plaintiffs and in their presence by T. L. Sung that the plaintiffs were both of age. In this connexion his Lordship said "Even, therefore, if I was satisfied that this statement had been made by Sung on behalf of Lam to Messrs. Hastings, Denys and Bowley, and that it was binding on the latter, I do not see how it can be said to have deceived the defendants and induced them to act to their detriment seeing that it was never communicated to them, so far as the evidence shows."

Conflict of Evidence.

His Lordship continued "Leung's evidence on behalf of the defendants was most important in this connexion. He corroborates Li Koon-chun and Kan Tong-po and he further stated that when the mortgage was being executed at Messrs. Hastings, Denys and Bowley's Lam had, when the matter of age was being discussed, tapped his chest and said 'I am of age.' Lam absolutely denies that he did any such thing or made any statement. None of the other witnesses called for the defence speak to this incident and it is further to be observed that when the letter of 4th September, 1926, was written, Leung was also available and yet nothing was said in that letter about this alleged express misrepresentation made by Lam as to his age."

After dealing further with the point, and remarking that Leung's recovery of five per cent. depended on the transaction going through, his Lordship gave it as his opinion that Leung's uncorroborated statement should not be accepted in preference to Lam's denial.

Leung's Personal Interest.

His Lordship continued to deal with the case as regards age and fraud when the release was executed, after which he said "After a careful consideration of the evidence I have come to the conclusion that, having regard to the personal interest which Sung and Leung had in putting this transaction through, and to the small amount of reliance that can be placed on the evidence of Leung, I am unable to accept the evidence of the latter when it conflicts with that of either of the plaintiffs. As his is the only direct evidence as to any express misrepresentation made by him, I am of opinion that I must accept his statement with regard to this matter."

"As I have already shown, Leung is corroborated by the two defendants as regards the statement made by Sung on the subject of Lam's age; but these latter were very late in recollecting any such representation. The defendant Li Koon-chun only recollected the fact after a conference at which Leung was present, and all the circumstances of this case make me distrustful of any inspiration derived from that person. On the whole I have come to the conclusion to accept Lam's denial with regard to this matter."

No Interpretation.

After summarising the findings of Mr. Justice Wood, his Lordship went on to deal with the points argued by the defence on the questions of age and fraud. In this connexion he said "Sung is dead and the plaintiffs both deny that the release was ever interpreted to them; and I am of opinion that

there is no evidence on which it would be safe to come to the conclusion that the release was ever, in fact, interpreted to either of the plaintiffs."

Dealing with authorities his Lordship said "In view of the opinion I have formed as to the absence of any fraudulent misrepresentation on the part of the plaintiffs it is not necessary for me to express any definite opinion on this part of the case made on behalf of the plaintiffs. I will only say that most of the authorities cited were cases where the party aggrieved was suing an infant defendant; not of an infant plaintiff, who admitted his fraudulent conduct, seeking directly to victimise an honest and deceived defendant."

His Lordship further said "A point was taken by Mr. Justice Wood in his judgment that this action is not properly constituted as certain necessary parties are lacking. Counsel for the respondents did not rely on this point in answer to the prayer of the appellants that the judgment should be set aside; and I therefore do not propose to deal with it except by saying that I do not think it precludes this court from granting the relief asked for in this appeal."

Appeal Allowed.

After referring to an authority, his Lordship concluded "I am of opinion that no express representation has been conclusively brought home to either of the plaintiffs in this case, that this appeal should be allowed, and that they are entitled to the relief they ask for in paragraph seven of the statement of claim, with costs here and in the Court below."

Sir Peter Grain.

In his judgment, which was read by Mr. P. Jackson, Sir Peter Grain, after enumerating the claims of the appellants, said "The main defence to the statement of claim, and I think I may say the only real defence, was that the plaintiffs represented themselves as being able to make the said mortgage or were privy to such representation, and that such representation to the knowledge of the plaintiffs was false and fraudulent and, furthermore, induced the defendants to become parties to the said mortgage."

"The main issue in this case is, has the fraud alleged against the appellants been proved by clear, conclusive and explicit evidence?"

In testing the evidence given at the trial, I am of opinion that the evidence of Sung, Tsui-lun and Leung Wing-cheung, the interpreters, should be jettisoned and not considered. I am of opinion that they were both biased witnesses, they were interested in the transaction being completed, and each way to receive some commission on the completion of the transaction. Suspicion is therefore cast upon their credibility and their credibility is very material to the issue, and consequently I do not rely on their statements."

Meaning of "Full Age."

"In the course of the negotiations and the carrying out of the transaction, according to the evidence, the phrase of 'being 21 years of age' never seems to have been used, the phrase always used was 'full age.' According to Chinese law, 'full age' is about 15 years of age or thereabouts, and the appellants had already carried through some transactions concerning land in Macao either according to Chinese law or the law prevailing in Macao, where 21 years was not the age of majority, but an age far less than 21 years."

"The learned trial judge in the Court below found as a fact that the appellants had acquired a working knowledge of English. I must accept that although as they did not speak English in the witness box, the only evidence of their knowledge was that they had been to Hongkong University and said they could speak English. But a working knowledge of the English language and the understanding of a legal document, drawn up in English legal phraseology, are two very different things."

"I think I am justified in saying that the average Englishman (not being a lawyer), who has an English legal document read to him, would understand nothing or very little of what it was intended to convey. He would have to go through it sentence by sentence and phrase by phrase before he would realize the real purport of the document."

Fraud Not Established.

"Having gone through all the evidence at the trial I am of opinion that there is no evidence of that clear, conclusive and explicit character which has been held so necessary in many reported cases to establish a plea of fraud. I am therefore of opinion that the mortgage deed is null and void."

"I am therefore of opinion that this appeal be allowed and that the appellants are entitled to the relief asked for in the statement of claim, with costs here and in the Court below."

Deliberate Fraud.

In upholding the judgment given in the lower court, Mr. Justice J. R. Wood said, "I am still satisfied that the appellants both intended to obtain money for themselves, to which they knew they were not immediately entitled, also, that with this object they deliberately exercised for themselves the legal capacity of adults, fraudulently, with the intention of denouncing their contract, if at any time the market went against them. Solicitors and others were media through which the appellants conveyed their false representation to the respondents, thus inducing them to contract. Their fraud was actual, and was actively prosecuted through agents."

"The idea of fraud applicable to this case may be analysed in the following way: If the appellants were sued by the respondents for a declaration that by reason of the appellants' fraud the respondents were entitled to avoid this contract, they could state that the representation made was so made without their knowledge, yet it was made without their understanding of its meaning and effect. They would thus negative the allegation of intention to deceive. Also they could admit that they both knew the fact of the representation and its effects, and thus adopting the deceit might, pleading their infancy, say that they were not active participants in the representation itself, but were merely acquiescent in the representation of others, or again might allege that the representation was not made to the plaintiffs in the action and did not induce any line of conduct on their part. Thus, though admitting their deceit, they might still support their contracts."

Plaintiffs Understood.

"In these proceedings it was found in the Court below that the appellants, who are plaintiffs, knew that the false representation made was being made, and also understood its meaning and effect. The judgment below has decided that the representation was made to all whom it might concern, and that among those concerned were the respondents."

"It also found that the appellants actively perpetrated this fraud through their agents. On this issue of fraud, I reaffirm the opinion formed below. The dishonest purpose was carried into effect by concurrent signature of a series of legal documents. My opinion was formed on seeing the appellants as witnesses. It remains unshaken even though my judgment seems to have been in error in certain statements concerning the deed of release. That deed did not in fact contain an express reference to the age of the appellants themselves and it appears never in fact to have been (Continued on Page 15.)



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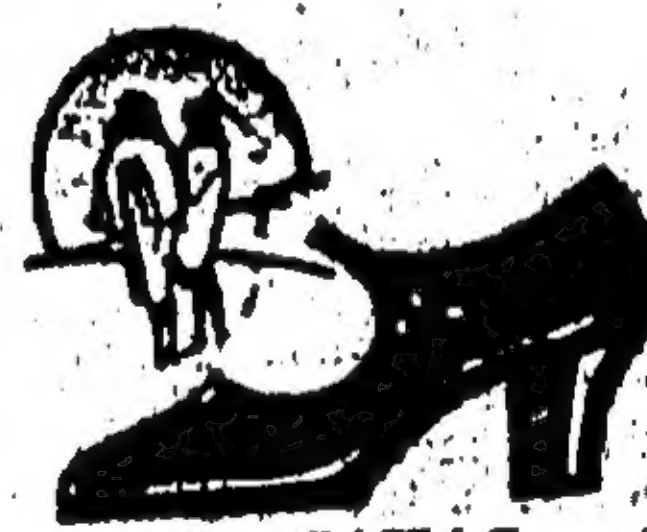
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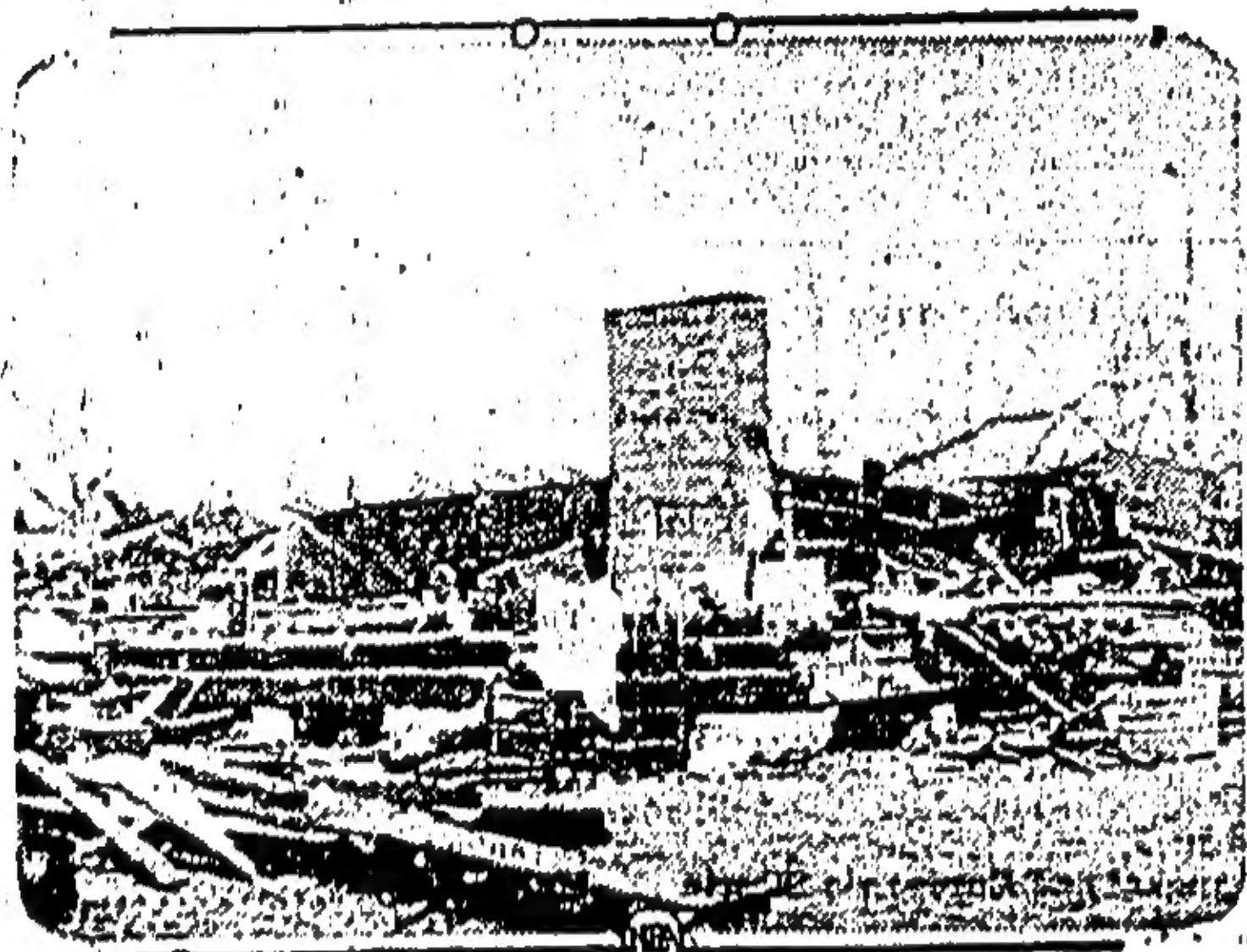
The unveiling of a memorial at Vimoutiers, Normandy, to Mrs. Harel, the inventor of Camembert cheese. M. Millerand is seen behind the speaker. (Times copyright).



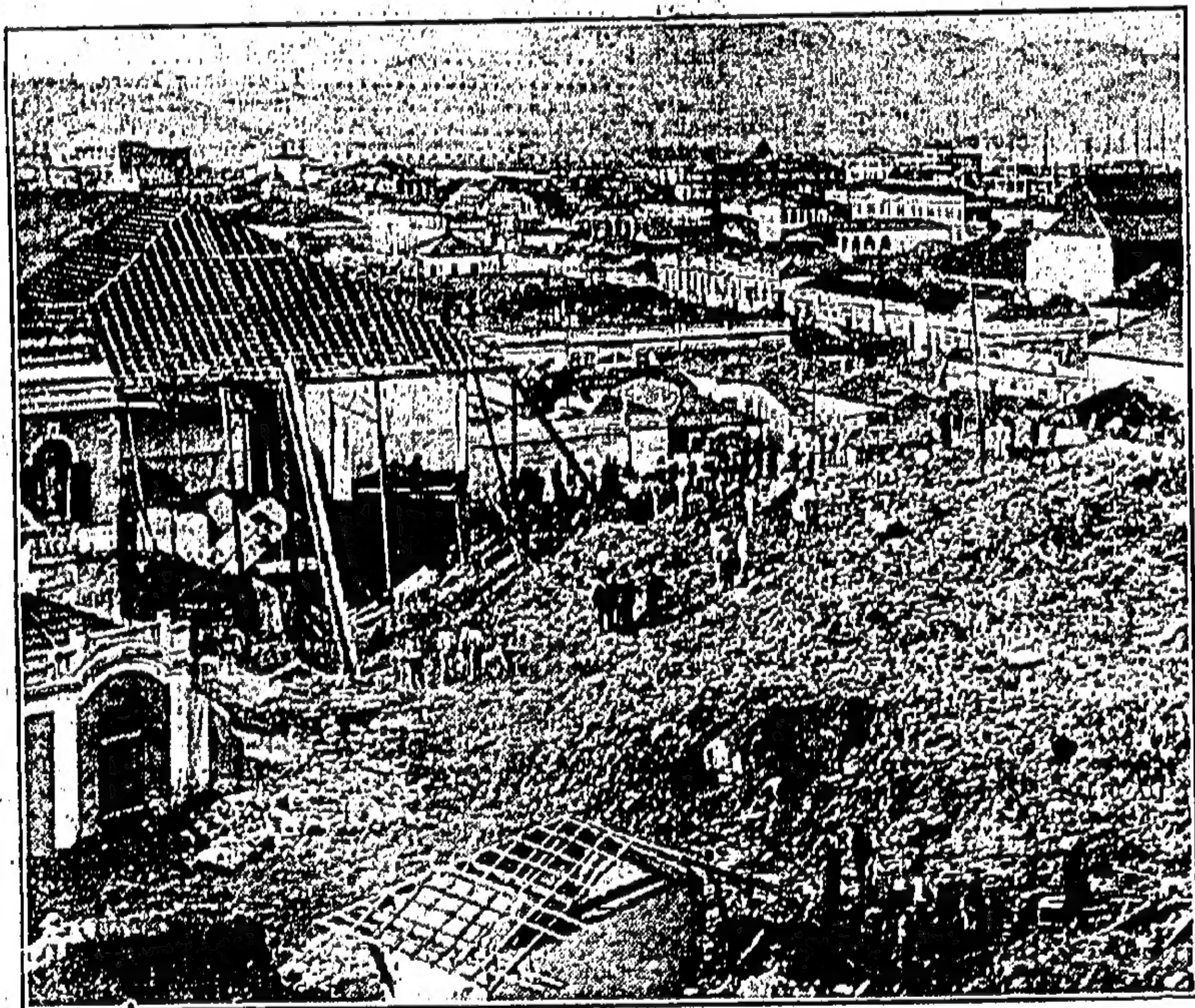
The first fence in the Royal Artillery Ubique Handicap Steeplechase at Sandown Park. Major T. H. Sebag-Montefiore's Ghent of Old, the winner, is seen leading. Mr. C. N. Brownhill's Martial Wave (right) was second, and Mr. J. N. Purdon's Sweet Mona third. (Times copyright).



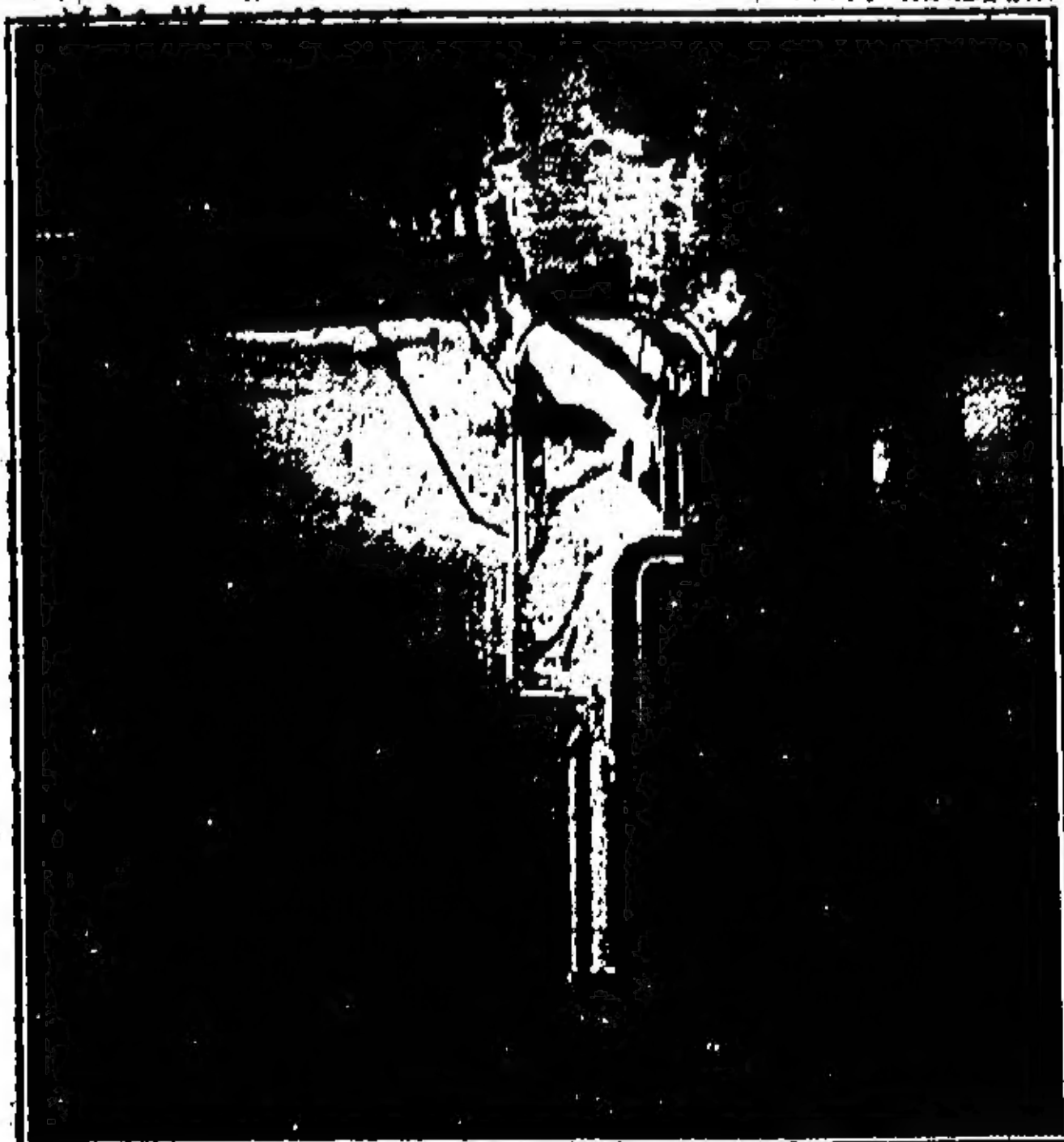
A photograph taken at Newbury, shortly before the finish of the Juvenile Plate. The leading horses, Rose-Knot (No. 26) and Mountain Peak (right) who finished first and second respectively, were disqualified for bumping and boring on the complaint of the jockey of Dandellon filly. Lane, who can be seen reining in his mount (left). Dandellon filly was awarded the race. (Times copyright).



Here is the wreck a tornado made of a homestead at Monto No, Arkansas where Mrs. Will Rogers, wife of the comedian, was born and raised. The family of Grant Lauber, living in the home when the storm struck, escaped injury.



100 Persons were killed during the great landslide at Santos, Brazil. Cottages and houses on the hillside were carried down by the rush of earth and stone, and a street at the bottom of Mont Serrant were buried. A photograph of the buried street, showing part of the damaged hospital, Santa Casa. (Times copyright).



The driver of the new London North Eastern Railway, London-Edinburgh non-stop train, showing the corridor through the locomotive tender, which enables the train crew to be changed during motion. (Times copyright).



A picturesque feature of the High Street of Sevenoaks is threatened by the proposal to demolish one and alter the other of the two old gables of Bligh's Hotel, originally Bethlehem Farm. Protests are being raised by local residents. Our picture shows a view of the gabled house. (Times copyright).

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DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the NINTH EXTRA RACE MEETING, to be held on SUNDAY, 3rd June, 1928, (weather permitting) may be obtained from the I.R.R.C. Macao, Causeway Bay Stables and Rotor Advertising Co., Exchange Building.

Entries Close at 2.30 Macao Race Club on Thursday 24th May.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed tenders will be received at the office of the O.C., R.A.S.C., Headquarters, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong, until 12 noon, on Tuesday, 5th June, 1928, for the under-mentioned services for the period as stated.

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G. R.

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Decorations will be worn.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 25th May, 1928, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 9th May to 25th May. Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1928.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 25th May, 1928, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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PAUL LAUDER,
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Hongkong, 1st May, 1928.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 25th May, 1928, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1927, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

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G. R.

Particulars and Conditions of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 29th day of May, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lot	Boundary Measurements	Area	Annual Rent	Deposit Price
1	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
2	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
3	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
4	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
5	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
6	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
7	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
8	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
9	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000
10	100 feet by 100 feet	10,000 sq. feet	\$500	\$10,000

V. R. C.

Members are reminded to apply for invitations to the At Home Saturday, 26, before Friday, May 25.

C. J. COOKE,
Hon. Secretary, V.R.C.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fifth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 26th May, and Monday, 28th May, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m. on both days. The first bell will be rung at 2 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 per day for all persons including Ladies.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead and Davis at \$5.00 each per day up to Friday the 25th May, 1928.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2.00 per day. Each member can obtain upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge. Bookmakers, Tic Tac men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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Chartered Bank, \$21 1/2 b.
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P. and O., \$24 n.
East Asia, \$75 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$520 n.
Union Ins., \$342 n.
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Yangtze Ins., \$50 b.
China Underwriters, \$21 b.
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H. K. Fire Ins., \$750 n.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$40 n.
H. K. Steamboats, \$281 a.
H. K. Tugs, \$21 n.
Indo-China, (Daf.) \$78 n.
Shell Trans., \$5/- n.
Union Waterboats, \$201 b.

Mining.

Bonguots, \$11 n.
Kailans, 60/- b.
Lampkats, \$12.20 b.
S'hai Exploration, \$12.80 b.
Rauha, \$4 n.
Tronohs, 17/6 n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$130 1/2 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$40 1/2 n.
China Providents, \$5.50 n.
Hongkows, \$160 b.
New Engineering, \$15 b.
Shanghai Docks, \$110 n.

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Orientals, \$2.20 n.
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Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$8.50 a.s.
H. K. Lands, \$64 1/2 a.
S'hai Lands, \$144 b.
Humphreys, \$141 n.
Realities, \$8.25 b.
Territorials, \$1 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$24 1/2 a.
Peak Trams, (old) \$131 b.
Star Ferries, \$64 n.
China Lights, (Old) \$11 a.
H'kong Electric, \$69 1/2 n.
Macao Electric, \$26 1/2 b.
Telephones \$5 b.
China Buses, \$19 b.
Singapore Traction, 9/6 b.

Industrials.

China Sugars, \$3 a.s.
Malabons, \$24 1/2 n.
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It is notified for information that the via Wireless rate to EUROPE has been reduced to \$1.65 per word. The rate to the Dutch East Indies has been reduced from \$1.00 to 90 cents per word as from April 25th, 1928.

Rates and further particulars on application to the RADIO COUNTEER, 1st Floor, Government Building.

Telegraphic Addresses.—Persons and firms having correspondents in the places named above should in order to avoid delay to telegrams received by radio register their telegraphic address immediately.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

Reliable articles forwarded by airmail post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Letters and postcards for Europe and the British Isles are forwarded via Siberia if so superimposed.

The Postal Service to Swatow and neighbouring places is entirely suspended until further notice.

A direct service to Yunnan Province has been opened 20th April, 1928. The inclusive charge will be 60 cents per word; no charge will be collected from the addressee in Yunnan. The service is, however, liable to interruption owing to atmospheric disturbances and messages are accepted at sender's risk.

The service from GOW Royal Observatory W/T Station is temporarily suspended owing to a breakdown of machinery. Meteorological traffic with ships will be worked by VPS Cape D'Agulhar W/T Station on 600 metres. The 300 metres telephony service is suspended until repairs are effected.

PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

On Thursday, the 24th inst. the G.P.O. and Branch Post Offices will be open from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.

There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and also one delivery of registered correspondence at 9.00 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The Postal Service to Swatow and neighbouring places has now been resumed.

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Amoy	Taiwan	May 23.
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers)		
London 26th April and parcels		
10th April	Ranpura	May 24.
Shanghai and Amoy	Yingchow	May 24.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	President Cleveland	May 25.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Malwa	May 25.
Straits	Kame Maru	May 28.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	May 28.
Japan and Shanghai	Hakusan Maru	June 1.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	June 4.
Australia and Manila	St. Albans	June 4.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Samsui and Wuchow	Taiming	Wed., May 23, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Wong Shek Kung	Wed., May 23, 4.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Ninghai	Wed., May 23, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Tikong Maru	May 24, 8.30 a.m.
Straits	Cramer	Thurs., May 24, 9 a.m.
Bangkok	Kingyuan	Thurs., May 24, 9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydranga	Thurs., May 24, 9 a.m.
Port Bayard	Tai Poo Sek	Thurs., May 24, 9 a.m.
Saigon and South Africa	Santos Maru	Fri., May 25, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Fri., May 25, 2 p.m.
Shanghai	Szechuen	Fri., May 25, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Malwa	Sat., May 26.

Parcels	Registration	Letters
May 25, 4.30 p.m.	May 26, 9 a.m.	May 26, 10.30 a.m.



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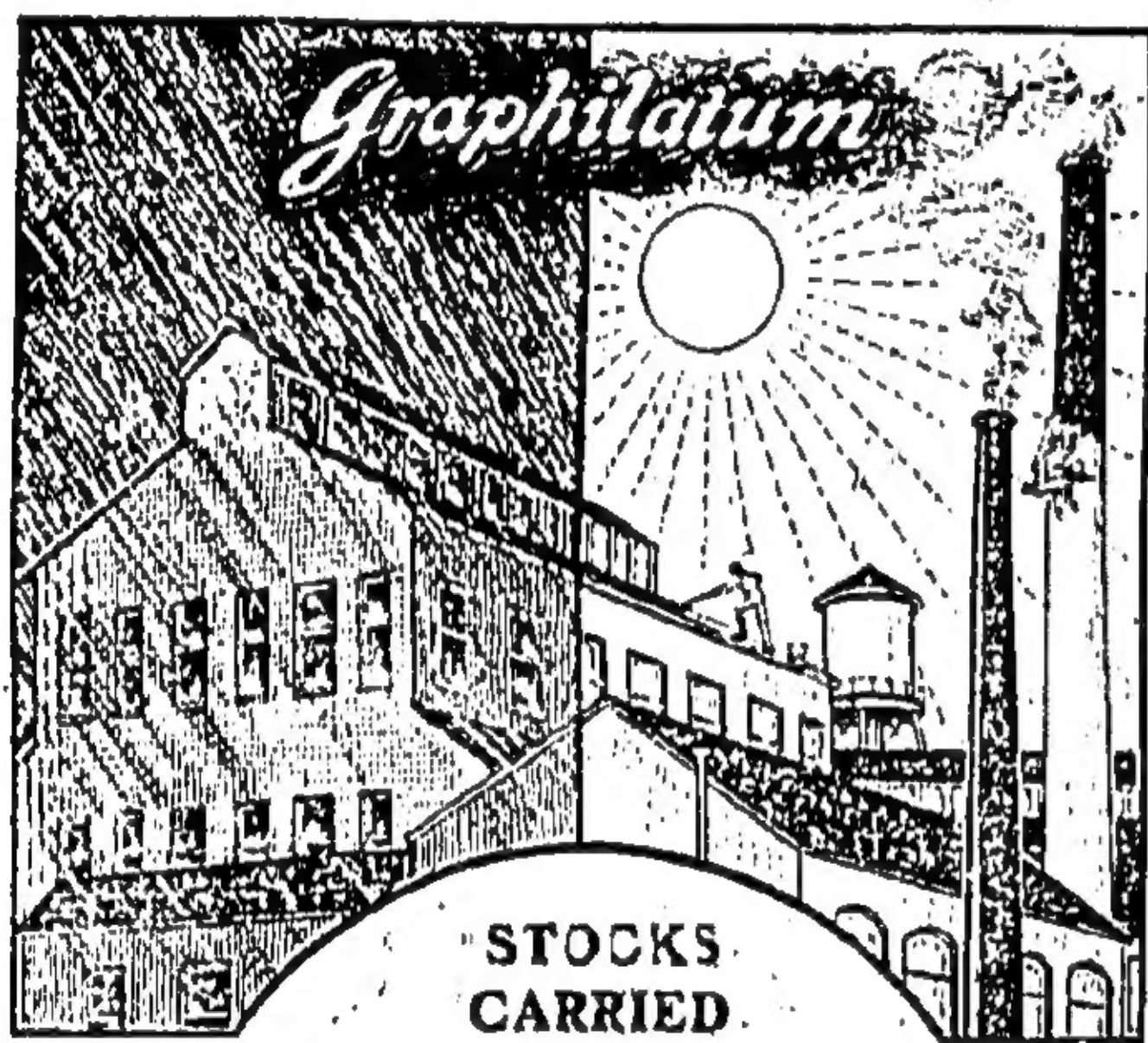
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Fashion Notes.

THE SLIM LINE STILL POPULAR.

The slim line in clothes is still to be counted with. Some dresses which were shown last month in a mid-season collection in Paris exemplified it very well. The skirts were tight round the hips, with a flow from below them, the bodices were slim and lightly bloused or made with a loose bolero all round which dipped behind, rose a little in front and gave to the whole dress a graceful flowing movement.

Many black evening dresses in lace, in jet, and in georgette were beautifully slim and graceful. The lace used was varnished and had in some cases a pale foundation skirt, either flesh pink or biscuit cream. The skirts were flounced from below the hips with one deep flounce or two or three smaller ones, and when in jet they swung like a kilt in movement. The bodices were all cut in a deep oval at the back and were quite to the base of the throat in front. One side of the bodice had the usual shoulder piece to hold it in place, the other side was caught over the shoulder by an inch wide tie which was knotted into a bow with long ends. This odd fashion was frequently observed.

Race Frocks.

Afternoon dresses were also flounced, but some had also a loop-

ed or two-panel drapey on the left side. The lower panel drops below the hem, the upper panel laps over the lower panel. A black satin dress was made in this way, with a bloused bodice, pointed neck, long tight sleeves, and a straight cape behind which was caught like a Watteau train at the waist. A snail about two inches wide was carried from under the train at the waist to the front.

Quite the most distinguished figured crepe dresses shown in this collection were in beige and black or beige and brown, a small pattern which ran all over the groundwork; several shades of each colour were worked into the pattern and the effect is soft and becoming. A figured crepe dress of this kind, made with flounces, has a dark plain coat lined with the dress material. The line of the dress flows, the line of the coat is straight. Long sleeves, draped necks, not nearly so much fur as was used last year for trimming, a great deal of tucking, ribbing, encrusting on the materials used, both for coats and dresses. The result is soft and rich, and pleasing.

Checks and Plaids.

Some of the little country dresses in checks and plaided summer materials are charming. They button down the front, have flat pleats from a well-cut yoke, held in place by belts at the waist and smart little collars and ties. In bright colours, with short sleeveless sack coats, these dresses are ideal for the country or the

Knee Bracelets.

PARISIENNE'S NEW FASHION.

Knee bracelets in finely woven gold or platinum, set with diamonds and other precious stones, are the latest Paris society novelty.

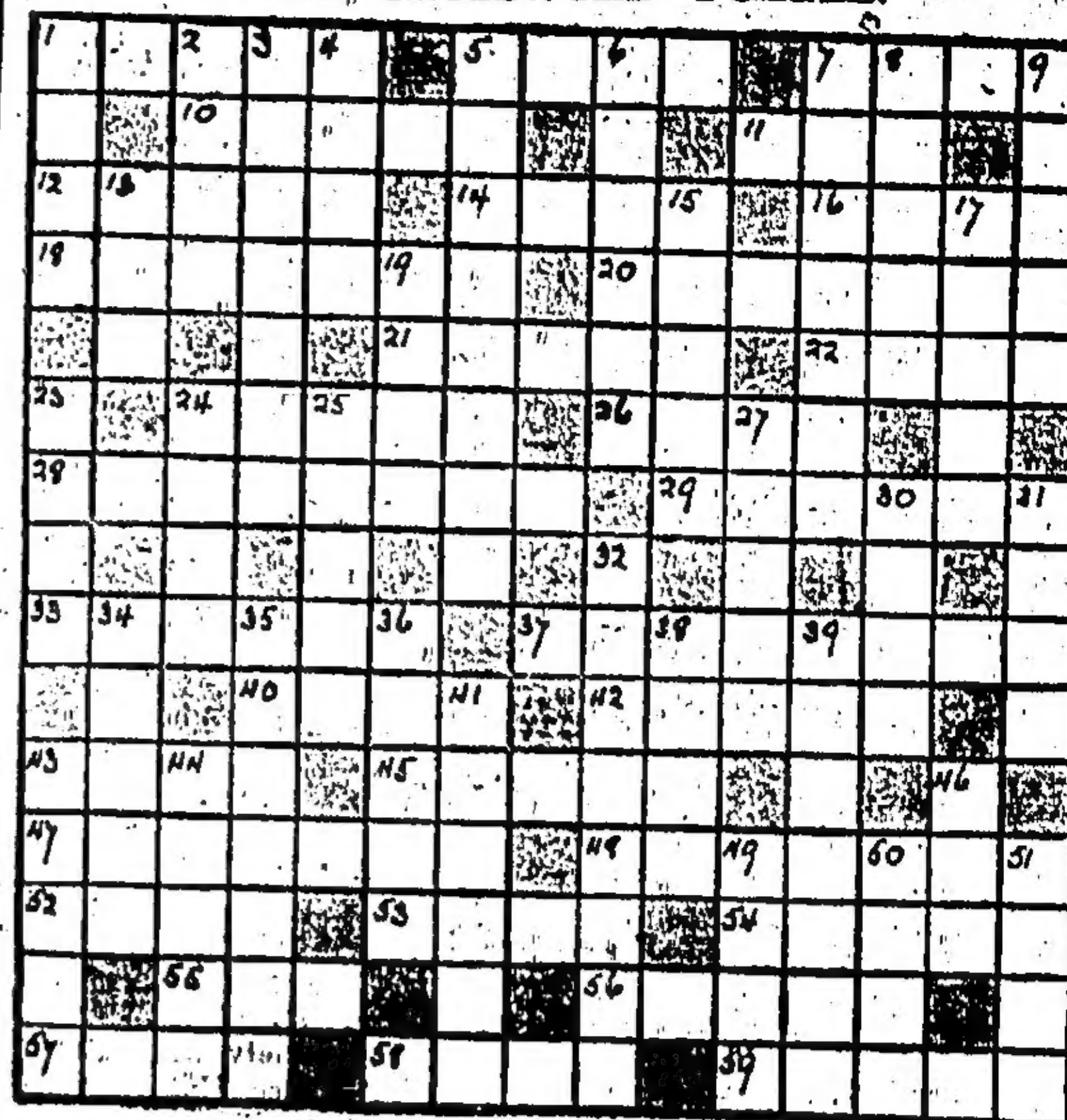
They were seen for the first time at a dance at the Lido—the Venetia of Paris. The short skirts of the day allow the bracelets to be seen at frequent intervals during the dance, the gems with which they are set flashing and disappearing alternately as the wearer moves.

Some of the bracelets seen were stated to have cost tens of thousands of pounds.

sea. Then there are taffeta dresses for the races, in black and white with big bow ties at the neck and bunched hip draperies. Simple crepe georgette dresses under capes of crepe marocain are also worn for the races and town parties; every afternoon dress has long sleeves. Only tennis dresses are short-sleeved.

The jumper suit with a long or short coat, made of jersey and cloth or tweed is kept for the morning, for travelling, or for the country. It is not so much worn in town as the tailor-made. This is seen in Paris to-day in black satin, in brown satin, in ribbed silks, moire, and taffeta. With a fresh lingerie blouse nothing looks trimmer or more Parisienne.

OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Down.

- 1 Vision.
- 5 Whirl.
- 7 Tooth.
- 10 Misuse.
- 11 Thus.
- 12 Fertile tracts.
- 14 Mexican dog.
- 16 Foreminal plant.
- 18 Mammals.
- 20 Leaping beetles.
- 21 Percolated.
- 22 Brink.
- 24 Portable chair.
- 26 Caves.
- 28 Pulverized.
- 29 Revolve.
- 33 Washes lightly.
- 37 Macerating.
- 40 Artistic faculties.
- 42 Malignant burning.
- 43 Turkish judge.
- 46 Erecta.
- 47 Ear-ache.
- 48 Flat canopies.
- 52 Roman Emperor.
- 53 Plant of lily order.
- 54 Scorch.
- 55 Age.
- 60 Old Spanish coins.
- 67 Frothy mass.
- 68 Days in the Roman calendar.
- 69 Impede by one's own act.

Down.

- 1 Fate.
- 2 Cardinal point.
- 3 Encouraged.
- 4 Ponder.
- 5 Debated.
- 6 Surpass.
- 7 Most suited.
- 8 Possessing landed property.
- 9 Tailors' irons.

- 13 Swimming sea bird.
- 15 More aged.
- 17 Diseased rye.
- 19 Bellow.
- 23 Long beam (nautical).
- 24 Gracious swimming bird.
- 25 Discourage.
- 27 Annotations.
- 29 Related by blood.
- 31 Ova.
- 32 Those who set out.
- 34 Angry.
- 35 Seamen.
- 36 Thread like line.
- 38 Gaelic.
- 39 Gates.
- 41 Secured.
- 43 Pine fruits.
- 44 Challenged.
- 46 Part of a circumference.
- 49 Foretell.
- 50 Formerly.
- 51 Store.

Yesterday's Solution.



LANDSCAPES IN MARBLE.

UNIQUE DECORATION IN LONDON CAFE.

The heroine in "The Bohemian Girl," who "dreamt that she dwelt in marble halls," would find her dream realised at Lyons' new Oxford Corner House, at the junction of Oxford-street and Tottenham-court-road.

For here are actual landscapes in marble, which sweep in vistas or delicate colour round the walls of restaurant and cafe.

The work is like nothing else hitherto attempted in such decoration.

It is nothing less than gigantic landscapes 20ft. high and hundreds of feet long, formed of marble of different colours and shades. It is in no sense mosaic work, where tiny squares are fitted together to form the picture.

Two-Ton Slabs.

Here are great slabs of marble some weighing as much as two tons each, forming definite parts of the picture.

In the ground-floor cafe a material motif is repeated round the walls.

In the foreground are rocks, pine trees in foliage, gaunt trunks

of trees weathered by storms, while in the middle distance is the waterfall foaming over the rocks.

The whole scene is vividly realistic. Instead of a blank wall, there is a sense of space.

Experts searched the marble quarries of the world to fit the picture together.

From Africa came the Numidian rock for the foreground rocks; from Italy the Verde des Alpes for the foliage, and the Slenna and the Portora for the black and gold of the tree-trunks; from Greece the Cippolina for the cascade; from Ireland the brilliant jade-green for the little rocks on the edge of the waterfall.

Not less interesting is the vast marble picture girdling the great restaurant on the first floor. Here there is an impression of sitting on the verandah of an hotel overlooking a gorgeous vista of lake and mountain scenery.

These scenes have been achieved by cutting a block of marble in various directions against the grain to form a little island, or with the grain to get the deep green of cypress trees.

The pictures were designed by Mr. Oliver P. Bernard, and were carried out in marble by Messrs. John Stubbs and Son, of Liverpool, London and Carrara.

Over 550 tons of marble were used.

EGG SHAMPOO

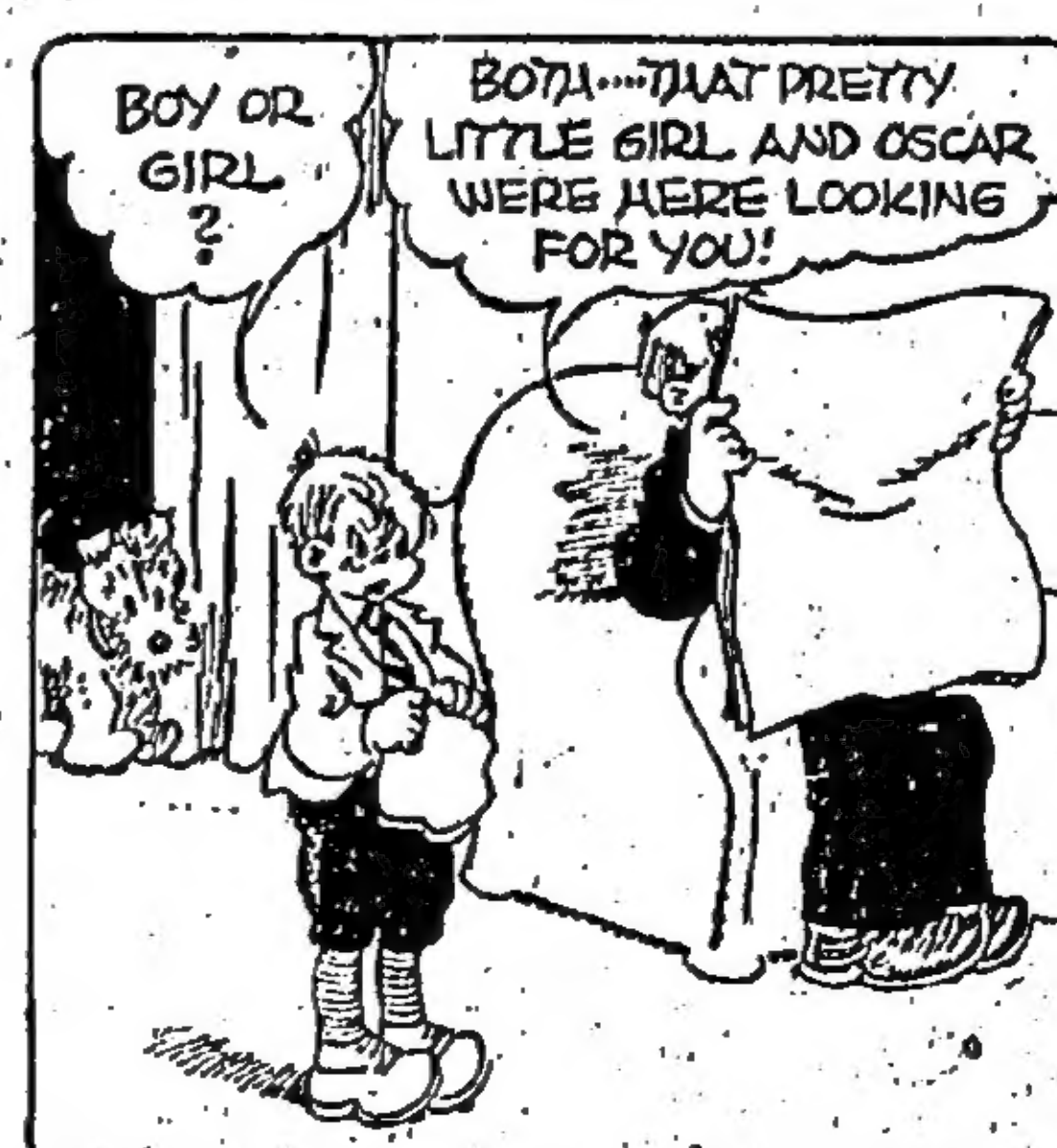
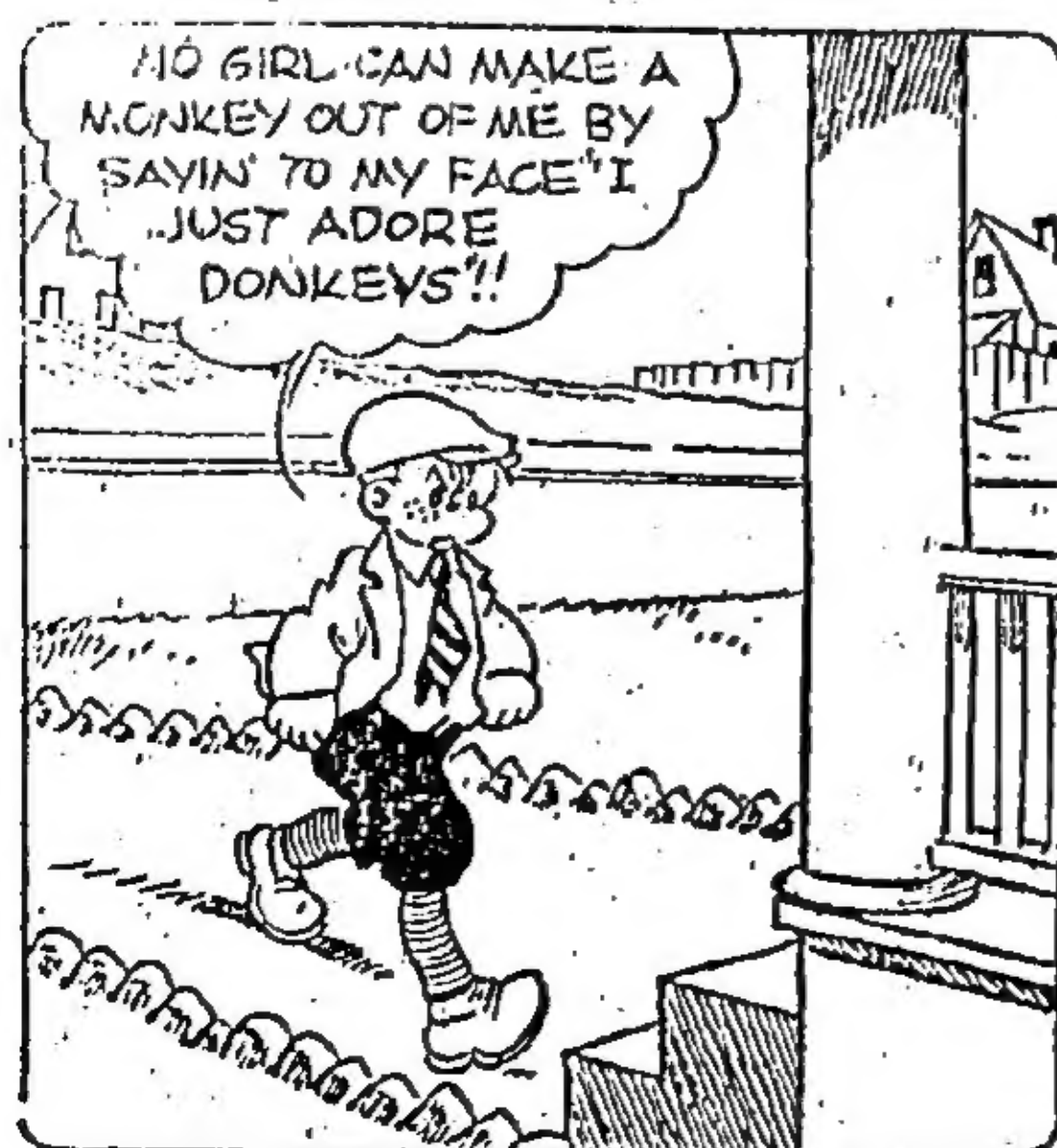
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JAPAN'S FIRM STAND.

Read in conjunction with Dr. C. C. Wu's appeal to the United States Government to give its moral support to the Chinese against Japan's policy in Manchuria, the lengthy statement by the Japanese Minister in Peking, which we published yesterday, is intensely interesting. It followed a report that America might be prepared to step in and mediate if Mr. Yoshizawa makes it very plain that mediation by any third party would not be welcome. This declaration was made in regard to the despatch of a third contingent of troops to Shantung, but inasmuch as the Japanese assert that the precautions which they are taking in Manchuria are inspired by the same motives which actuated the sending of forces to Shantung—namely, the protection of the lives and property of Japanese subjects—we may take it that a like attitude would be adopted towards any Power which sought to raise objections concerning the disposition of Japan's troops in Manchuria.

One of the points on which Japan objects to any attempt at mediation appears to be that action along these lines would be tantamount to recognition of the Nationalist Government. According to Mr. Yoshizawa, Japan regards the Nationalists as having "no unified Government nor status as an independent State," and, holding that view, she would consider anything in the nature of recognition as premature. So strongly does she feel on this point, indeed, that any effort at mediation involving such recognition would be esteemed "as an attempt to assume a highly unfriendly attitude towards Japan." As one reads Mr. Yoshizawa's declaration, the fact becomes patent that the Tokyo Government, having considered the whole situation most carefully, has thoroughly made up its mind as to the policy which it intends to adopt in the present crisis, and is prepared to stick to it at all costs. Even those who differ with Japan's standpoint must at least admire the refreshing candour of her attitude. The Japanese policy has this further recommendation—that there has been no attempt at "hole and corner" methods. What Tokyo has decided to do she has let the whole world know. All the signatories to the Nine-Power

Treaty may not have been conferred with, but just prior to the despatch of the third contingent of troops to Shantung, the Japanese Premier invited the representatives of Britain, the United States, France and Italy to the Foreign Office, where he described in detail the grounds on which Japan felt compelled to intervene.

That there are important points of international law involved by Japan's action in Manchuria, it would be idle to deny. But the situation is not so transparently clear as the Nationalists would contend. It must not be forgotten that in recent years, Manchuria has been largely independent of China, except when Chang Tso-lin happened to be in charge of the Government at Peking, in which circumstance he nominally controlled both places. Then, also, the tremendous growth of Japan's interests in the territory makes her concern for the preservation of peace and order quite understandable. She obviously does not want the chaos and disorders and outrages common to so great a part of China to be allowed to spread into Manchuria, the proximity of which to Korea must not be overlooked. Indeed, it seems to us that Japan's policy in Manchuria can be likened to that of Britain when she recently informed the United States, in her Note on the No-War Pact, that "there are certain regions of the world, the welfare and integrity of which constitute a special and vital interest for peace and safety;" that the protection of these regions is a measure of self-defence; and that any interference with such measures cannot be suffered.

New 'Quake Disaster.

Mother Earth has vented her fearful mood so frequently and in such a variety of places already this year, that we are beginning to wonder where she will strike next. With a disaster in Java, and a panic following a sharp earthquake shock at Tokyo still fresh in the mind, both coming within a week, news came through yesterday that two Peruvian townships have been reduced to ruins by another severe shock and that many lives have been lost. Jane and Pimpineos suffered most severely in a quake which affected a very wide area, and it is the more distressing as in some cases houses re-building from a similar visitation last month, have been destroyed. Even the casual newspaper reader cannot fail to have been struck by the remarkable series of seismic shocks experienced already since the beginning of the year. It makes a formidable list. In January, Germany, Kenya, Mexico, Alaska, Belgium and Rome registered shocks of more or less severity; in February, Austria, Japan, the Philippines, Palestine, Mexico, and Portugal felt shocks; in March, the places visited were Mexico, Central Asia, Messina and California, while a few volcanic eruptions, notably Krakatoa, added to the bad record; in April, Smyrna, Mexico, Peru, Salonika, Johannesburg, and Bulgaria were recorded. We have already detailed the one or two which have brought terror to populations in different parts of the world during May. Indeed, it is the fact that the visitations are affecting places so widely apart that has attracted so much attention. The cause of the phenomena is unknown, and in spite of modern science and delicate instruments we are no nearer to a satisfactory solution. For the time being, we have to be content to register the shock and record the event. Some day perhaps science will be in a position to predict with assurance the incidence and thereby enable precautions which will preclude the deplorable loss of life and property which invariably is the outstanding feature of the disturbances.

LATE MR. LEE HYSAN.

FUNERAL TAKES PLACE ON FRIDAY.

The funeral of the late Mr. Lee Hysan, the well-known Chinese millionaire who was murdered recently outside a club in Wellington Street, is to take place on Friday.

DAY BY DAY.

LET US TAKE CARE THAT IN STRAINING AFTER WHAT IS DESIRABLE WE DO NOT LOSE WHAT IS VITAL AND ESSENTIAL, THAT IN GRASPING WHAT WE SHOULD LIKE TO HAVE WE DO NOT SLIP DOWN INTO THE BOG.—Lord Rosebery.

Two Chinese cases of typhoid were notified yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jackson left for Australia by the Mishima Maru to-day.

The P. and O. s.s. Malwa, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The Bishop of Macao (Mr. da Costa Nunes) left by the M.M. liner Athos II for Singapore yesterday.

The Blue Funnel liner Teucer, arriving from Tacoma and Mike, reports the death of one Chinese passenger en route from Saites. The body was buried at sea.

The s.s. President Lincoln, from Shanghai, reports a small fire in No. 5 hold, which broke out some 24 hours after leaving Shanghai. The outbreak was quickly got under control and only small damage resulted.

Among the heavy cargoes in this morning's return was 510,000 gallons of gasoline by the s.s. Etahn Allen from New Orleans. The Admiral Oriental Line are the local agents and the ship is at present anchored in Gin Drinkers Bay.

A police raid was carried out on an isolated hut in Lantau Island yesterday resulting in the seizure of a printing plant for po pu tickets. The inmates of the hut are at present detained by the authorities for investigation.

To-morrow and Monday next having been declared general holidays, the Harbour Department will be closed except the Entries and Clearance Office, which will open from 10 a.m. to noon, and the Junk Office from 11 a.m. to noon, on both days.

Shortly after noon yesterday a young Chinese attempted to alight from a moving bus when, near the China Light and Power's installation in Lai-chikok Road. He fell on his back and sustained serious injuries from which he died shortly after admission to Hospital.

A father and son, aged 41 and 7 respectively, were sent to the Government Civil Hospital last night, suffering from the effects of an explosion which took place at 250, Queen's Road West, first floor. They were both burned on the arms, chest and face. The explosion is said to have been caused by the mixing of Chinese medicines.

According to a police report a Chinese woman was swindled of jewellery valued at \$30 at 430 this morning. She told the police that while she was in a laundrette (the name of which she did not know) she met a coiled woman who told her it was dangerous to carry so much jewellery about at night. She was induced to entrust the jewellery to the care of the coiled woman who has since disappeared.

At the junction of Victoria Street and Bras Basah Road, Singapore, on Wednesday last, a Chinese armed with an axe attacked two other Chinese. One of the attacked men was fatally wounded. The other was taken to hospital with a serious scalp wound. The attacker ran in the direction of Stamford Road, pursued by civil servants. He threw his axe into the canal as he ran, and was seized by a Chinese detective. No reason for the attack is apparent. It was not a case of running amok.

This morning's Harbour Office reports gave 22 arrivals and 24 departures, leaving 68 vessels in harbour, of which 17 were British. Japanese registered the top figures in arrivals, without departures, while the British departures were extremely heavy. Tonnage was heavy, with fair cargoes. British inward returns were high but the through registry of the nationality was only slightly more than 300 tons in one ship, American and Japanese returning the best figures under this heading.

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"LES MISERABLES."

VICTOR HUGO CLASSIC AT THE QUEEN'S.

After witnessing the screening of "Les Misérables" at the Queen's Theatre last night, the writer is left in some doubt as to whether it is possible to do justice to Victor Hugo's classic through the medium of the cinema. The remarkably descriptive parts of the great work cannot, of course, be emphasised, and this may be one of the reasons why the film is not so convincing as one had hoped it would be. Moreover, long as it is, the film has been very considerably "cut," and it has probably suffered somewhat on this account also.

These factors notwithstanding, "Les Misérables" holds the interest to the very end, and some of the incidents are very vividly portrayed, notably the revolution scenes, even though these are not so spectacular as some seen in other big films.

A French production, it is difficult to compare the film with the lavish products of Hollywood, or even those of the British and German film industries. All through, it bears the peculiar stamp of French influence; and one is left with the impression that the story is acted rather than lived.

In giving these impressions, the writer does not wish it to be inferred that the film is not worth seeing. Far from it. For it can be classed among the really big efforts. Some of the acting, too, is extremely powerful. In this connection, special mention must be made of the fine work of M. Gabriel Gabrio in the part of Jean Valjean, who dominates the action throughout.

It is also to be noted that Mr. Grovill, the well-known Musical Director of the Queen's Theatre, has prepared a special musical score for this film, and the orchestra under his control does much to add to the enjoyment of the production. Owing to the length of the film, only three performances can be given daily, these starting promptly at 2.30, 6.00 and 9.15 p.m. "Les Misérables" is being screened up to and inclusive of Saturday.

CORRESPONDENCE.

HOOT TOOT!

[To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—These confounded motor horns—hoot, toot, toot all day long. And half the night. Quite unnecessary. Screaming, shrieking, hooting all along Connaught Road, the Praya, Des Voeux Road, everywhere.

Empty road, coast clear, not a man in sight, not even a woman carrying dirt, or a solitary dog barking away at a ten-ton truck. Along a public car—hoot-hoot-hoot the whole time. Chauffeur one hand on the wheel, the other on the horn. That sets all the others going. Like bull-frogs in a swamp.

You, Sir, are all right, of course, no cars come up Wyndham Street. If they did, you'd have had something to say about it by now, I'll be bound. [We have, many times.—Ed.]

But you'll sympathise, I know. This freedom to render life intolerable must be stopped. Something must be done about it. What about an Ordinance? Any chauffeur caught tooting unnecessarily to get one stroke of the birch for each toot. After a few days' most of the chauffeurs in Hongkong would have to drive standing up! But there'd be no more tooting for the fun of it. Hongkong would be a safer place to walk about in. Pleasanter to live in, too. Don't you think so?—Yours, etc.

K. K. KLAXON.

Hongkong, May 22nd, 1928.

THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.

MILITARY PARADE AT WONG NEI CHONG.

To celebrate His Majesty's Birthday (Sunday, June 3rd) a parade of the Garrison is to take place on the Wong Nei Chong Recreation Ground at 9 a.m. on Monday June 4th.

The Jockey Club has kindly placed the Grand Stand and members' enclosure at the disposal of the public.

The Hongkong Club Stand has been placed at the disposal of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government and will be reserved for Mrs. Southern's party, members of the Councils and Heads and Assistant Heads of Government Departments.

The Very Idea!

A Home reader tells how, when beamed one evening while yachting in Bombay Harbour, the talk turned on ghosts. The skipper (whose name was one well known in India), claimed to be the only person present who had actually seen one. He told how he had taken a shooting in Scotland with a friend, with whom he stayed in an old house turned into a shooting box. One night he woke suddenly and saw in the bright moonlight in the room the figure of a man standing over a woman who was on her knees with clasped hands raised imploringly. The man seemed to be in the act of striking her, and the skipper jumped out of bed, only to find that there was no one there. Later he was told that a murder had been committed in that very room. When the skipper's tale was finished a lady present on the yacht remarked, "I think I could give you the name of that house. It was—"

"How did you know?" asked the skipper. "Because," was the reply, "the same thing happened to my brother in the same room when he had the shooting last year."

"No man really loves a woman until he has known what it is to grit his teeth to keep himself from wringing her neck. And every woman knows it. It is equally true that no woman loves a man until she has known what it is to want to scratch his eyes out."

So says the writer, Lucien Cary, and who shall gainsay him? Traveller (examining his hotel bill)—"Here, you're charging me for electricity and there isn't any in the hotel."

Manager—"Exactly, sir, that's for its installation."

Solicitor: How did you know the man was drunk?

Witness: Well, the street was long enough, but it wasn't wide enough for him.

Defendant (a woman): Did I scream in fear?

Constable: No, you screamed in a cab.

Solicitor: Do you drink?

Witness (a farmer): Certainly not!

Solicitor: Then why were you taking home a bottle of beer?

Witness: To make shandies for myself. A farmer must have his glass of beer or shandy.

Female defendant. I was walking along the street respectfully when a man came up and spoke to me.

Witnesses named Cumming was called at Willesden, but there was no response. Magistrate (after a brief wait): Perhaps the witness is not Cumming.

Solicitor in a London court: In a case heard in Edward VI's reign it was held that "only the Devil knows what is in the mind of man," but the onus has since been shifted to your Worship by the Legislature.

Husband at Lambeth: My wife has turned me out of doors. Magistrate: I have no power in the matter. Do as you think fit. Walk in.

An extraordinary incident took place before a wedding in a country house at Manara, near Naples, where a young man, Vincenzo d'Onofrio, was about to lead his bride, Maria Iaccarina, to the church. In the presence of a large gathering of friends the mother of the bride suddenly refused her consent to her daughter's marriage because she herself was in love with her future son-in-law and would marry him. But Vincenzo d'Onofrio protested, with all due respect for his future mother-in-law, and declared that he had come to marry the daughter and not the mother. She thereupon flew into a fury, seized a bucket, and flung a corrosive acid into the bridegroom's face, disfiguring him for life, then taking up a kitchen knife brandished it with murderous intent. She was prevented from committing a further crime by the friends of the bridegroom, by the friends of the bridegroom, who called the police, and she was arrested. In prison she said anything that she would gladly suffer anything, even having her head cut off, if they only allowed her to see her future son-in-law once more.

A policeman was constantly being interrupted by cries of "Speak up!" "Louder!" from a member of his audience. Fixing his eye on the offender, the candidate said, "I do not propose to raise my voice, because I think the ears of the man who interrupts this are quite long enough to hear at that distance."

WET IN MORE THAN ONE SENSE.**CAFE IMPERIAL SELLS BEER AFTER HOURS.****MILITARY COMPLAINT.**

"Why did the sergeant take the pint of beer if he was on duty? If I was doing wrong, he was doing worse." So remarked Mrs. Anderson, proprietress of the Imperial Cafe, of No. 60, Nathan Road, Kowloon, when she was charged before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with selling four glasses of beer during prohibited hours, namely, at 9.30 p.m. on May 14th.

The defendant said it was raining at the time and "the boys" wanted beer with their meals. She was strongly tempted and supplied them with drinks. The defendant added that they were Service men and had come in from the rain. She had also treated two of her friends.

His Worship:—Were these customers very wet, then?

Defendant: No; they were not very wet, but they wanted beer and I was tempted to give it to them. Inspector Ogg prosecuted and said as the results of complaints received from officers of the Queen's Regiment, that quite a number of soldiers had been getting drunk, it was suspected that the defendant was supplying them with drinks.

Two police recruits, accompanied by soldiers, went to the defendant's cafe on the night in question and were served with beer.

Inspector Ogg said it was raining and it was possible it was on this account the defendant had served them with beer.

His Worship said that under the circumstances he would register a conviction and a caution.

ARMED ROBBERS ESCAPE.**POLICE SEARCH FOR TWO MEN.**

Shortly after eleven o'clock this morning, a report was received at Police Headquarters that two armed robbers were escaping after a successful visit which they made to a house in the central part of the city.

It appears that two men visited the second floor of No. 14, Cochrane Street, where they found, as the sole tenant, a woman whom they easily terrified with a show of weapons.

They took her personal trinkets and were on the point of making a search for other valuables on the premises when, it seems, they were frightened into making a hasty flight.

Police officers arrived a few minutes after the robbery, but the men could not be traced. In the meantime, all the Police Stations have been alerted and detectives sent out.

In her statement, the victim said that one of the robbers was armed with a knife, while his colleague had a revolver and also a dagger. They gained admittance by pushing up the trap-door which covers the top of the staircase.

The men were more or less well-dressed, having their hair "parted" according to the American style, and they also wore socks and shoes. They spoke Cantonese.

MAN'S IMPOSSIBLE POSITION.**SEVENTY-TWO, NO WORK AND NO WHERE TO GO.**

"What will become of him if he can't earn a living? He can't get a licence and there is no poor-house, how can he live?" Thus Lt. Col. F. Eaves at the Magistracy this morning when a Chinese was brought before him for hawking without a licence.

The man stated he had been in the Colony for a long time. He was seventy-two years of age and was hawking in the hope of making a living.

His Worship was about to recommend the man for a free licence, when the officer in charge of hawkers informed the Magistrate that no more licences could be issued this year.

His Worship: Is there no poor-house or refuge for these poor people?—No, your Worship.

Addressing the defendant his Worship said that the law said he could not hawk without a licence and that being so, his Worship had no alternative in the matter. He closed the episode by telling the defendant to "go to some Chinese Hospital and see if they can't help you."

A Chinese passenger on the Golden Star, which left the Kowloon Wharf at 7.30 p.m. yesterday attempted to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour. He was rescued by the engineer of the steam launch Kwong On and sent to Hospital.

FROM HOLLAND TO JAVA.**RADIO-PHONE TALKS NOW REGULAR.****NOVEL SCHEME ORGANISED IN BATAVIA.****RELATIVES CONVERSE.**

Batavia, May 12. Wireless enthusiasts will learn with interest of an experiment that is being made in Java.

The chief of the postal and telegraph services has organised a series of private radio-telephone conversations between residents in Java and their relatives in Holland. The experiment at present is only in the initial stages, but it has been carried out with complete, one might almost say, astonishing success.

The method employed is as follows:—Half-a-dozen well-known officials or commercial men are invited to send in the names and addresses of anyone in Holland to whom they desire to speak and to attend on a certain evening at the head office of the telegraph services.

The arrangements are telegraphed to the Hague, and at the time named the guests sit round a table in Batavia, each wearing earphones and communication is opened with the Hague, the line being relayed from the Malabar despatching Station near Bandung.

Parents Hear Children.

Each person is allotted three minutes conversation. Those who have been privileged to receive an invitation tell me that the voices in Holland were just as distinct as if they had been speaking on the telephone from a neighbouring house. I learn, says a correspondent, that parents have been quite overcome with emotion on hearing the voices of their children.

In these experiments everyone taking part hears the conversation of each person in turn so there is no secrecy, and of course anyone elsewhere can listen in. When these communications are put on a commercial footing and a regular service opened there will be privacy in the despatch and receipt of the messages, but there will still be the publicity due to "listening in." This difficulty will naturally be a limitation to the general use of such a service for important commercial or domestic messages.

Untold Possibilities.

This, no doubt, will be overcome in time, and in fact there are persistent rumours that a local inventor has already discovered a method.

Certainly it will open up untold possibilities for the future and would add enormously to the value of the present experiments which, by the way, are the first of the kind in the Far East.

Yesterday the experiment was carried a stage further and communication opened between Bandung and England for the special benefit of Mr. Ormsby-Gore.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore's Talk.

Sitting in his own room at the Preaker Hotel, Mr. Ormsby-Gore was able, by means of special apparatus, to hold a conversation with his chief, Mr. Amery, who spoke from his office in London, and then with his wife, Lady Beatrice Ormsby-Gore, who spoke from her home.

Mr. Ormsby-Gore told Mr. Amery that he was highly impressed with the laboratories at Buitenzorg, and added that there was nothing to equal them in the British Empire. He conversed with Lady Beatrice on family matters, inquiring particularly after the health of the children.

Following this the telegraph authorities had a conversation with officials at the London General Post Office. Altogether it was a highly successful demonstration of the new invention.

SHOES AT FIVE CENTS A PAIR.**OLD MAN IGNORES COURT WARNING.**

An old Chinese, discharged with a caution yesterday by Lt. Col. F. Eaves for hawking shoes without a licence, was brought before his Worship again this morning, arrested by the same constable.

This time the old man was not so fortunate, and in imposing a fine of \$2, Lt. Col. Eaves remarked that he had cautioned him yesterday and he could not do so again.

The old man claimed that he sold shoes at 5 cents a pair.

COTTON WORKERS' WAGES.**PROPOSED REDUCTION IS NOT APPROVED.****FEDERATION VOTES.**

London, May 22. The ballot on the proposal to reduce the wages of cotton workers by 12½ per cent. shows that the requisite majority was not obtained.

Only 28 per cent. of the Egyptian Section were in favour of the resolution, which was supported by 68 per cent. of the American Section.

No further action is being taken.—*Reuter.*

The proposal to reduce wages by 12½ per cent. was contained in a resolution passed by the General Committee of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners Associations at Manchester on May 4th.

A copy of the resolution was sent to the Members of the Federation with two ballot-papers, one for the American Section of the industry and one for the Egyptian Section.

The Federation Members were asked to vote whether they were willing to leave the question of the reduction of wages to be dealt with by the Federation Committee and to close the mills if necessary to enforce the demand.

"A LITTLE DRUNK."**JAPANESE SENTENCED AT KOWLOON.**

A fine of \$5 was imposed by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a Japanese, named Tajima, who was charged with being drunk and incapable at the Yau-mai Ferry Wharf yesterday.

The defendant admitted that he was "a little drunk."

His Worship:—I seem to remember his face; he's been here before, hasn't he?

Inspector Marks:—Numerous times, your Worship.

His Worship:—He seems to run straight for three or four months and then break out again.

Inspector Marks:—When he does break out, he does so strongly.

Sentence of seven days' hard labour was imposed in default of payment of the fine.

SCOTS GUARDSMAN CHARGED.**ALLEGED ASSAULT ON FIRE OFFICER.**

A charge of assault was preferred against Guardsman John Duncan, Right Flanking Company, Scots Guards, Nanking Barracks, before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, the complainant being Mr. J. Hau, a sub-officer of the Kowloon Fire Brigade.

The incident was alleged to have taken place at the Lai-chikok beach at 5 p.m. on May 13th.

The complainant intimated that he was calling seven ladies and two gentlemen as witnesses, while the defendant remarked that he had three witnesses.

The case was accordingly adjourned until 2.15 p.m. on Friday, June 1.

CONSPIRACY TRIAL ENDS.**OVER THIRTY POLES SENTENCED.****EX-DIET MEMBERS GET LONG SENTENCES.****PRIEST ACQUITTED.**

Warsaw, May 22.

Thirty-seven of the 56 "White" Ruthenian Communists, charged with conspiracy, have been found guilty.

Four of the accused who were former members of the Diet, namely MM. Taraszkiewicz, Rakmichowski, Woloszyn and Mioka, were sentenced to twelve years' penal servitude, and the others to terms varying from eight years to three years.

The nineteen who were acquitted include the priest, Father Ostroski, and the politician, M. Luckiewicz.—*Reuter.*

Over 2,000 Witnesses.

Over 2,000 witnesses were called for the prosecution in the trial of the accused who were alleged to be members of "White" Ruthenian Communist organisations known as "Hromada."

The accused were charged with conspiring to throw over the present regime in Poland; also forcibly to detach, for the benefit of Soviet Russia, a part of Poland inhabited by White-Ruthenians.

Financed by Soviet.

On March 18th, one of the chief witnesses for the prosecution was murdered in a restaurant. The murder was alleged to have been committed by several well-known Communists, who were later arrested.

Soviet Sentences.

Riga, May 22.

The Soviet Tribunal at Smolensk, which has been trying cases of persons alleged to have taken part in an economic counter-revolutionary plot, has sentenced two men to death and awarded long terms of imprisonment to six others.—*Reuter.*

RECENT JUNK PIRACIES.**FOUR MEN CHARGED AT KOWLOON.**

Recent piracy outrages on-board trading junks and fishing boats, in British waters, have culminated in the apprehension of four men, alleged to have been concerned in an armed robbery committed on a fishing boat in Lung Ku Tan Harbour, New Territories, on May 16th.

In addition to charges of robbery preferred against the four men, who appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, they were also charged with kidnapping the master for ransom.

Sub-Inspector Dorling, who prosecuted, applied for a date to be fixed.

The defendants were remanded for one week formally, the case being fixed for hearing on Thursday afternoon.

SCOTLAND YARD ENQUIRY.**CONFINED TO ALLEGATIONS OF THIRD DEGREE.****A SPELLING ERROR.**

London, May 22. It has been decided definitely that the proposed tribunal inquiry into the Hyde Park Case will be confined to the circumstances in which Miss Savidge was taken to Scotland Yard and interrogated for many hours by detectives.

It is now disclosed that the name of the lady connected with Sir Leo Chiozza Money in the case, is spelt "Savidge" and not as formerly reported.—*Reuter.*

The Home Secretary's motion to appoint a Committee was postponed until a substantial agreement by all parties notably of the Labourites was reached that the enquiry should be limited to the interrogation of Miss Savidge on May 15 and that the issue should not be obscured by Sir Leo Chiozza Money's case.

In the meantime one of the most important witnesses for Sir Leo Chiozza Money's case, known as the "man with the umbrella," has turned up and interviewed Sir Leo Chiozza Money's solicitor. He is the man who, when the detectives were taking Sir Leo Chiozza Money and Miss Savidge to the station, handed over the umbrella which Sir Leo Chiozza Money left behind. Hitherto he had remained in the background and had not been identified.—*Reuter.*

HAWKER VICTIMISED.**PAID \$20 FOR USELESS "LICENCE."**

A very curious incident occurred at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese produced an affirmation for distress for which he said he had paid \$20, for the privilege of hawking cloth. The document was described as having been "curiously filled in."

The defendant was charged with selling cloth without a licence and when the indictment was read to him he said he had a licence which was in the possession of the police.

Sergeant Hargreaves handed his Worship a document, which, after examination, his Worship said was an affirmation for distress and was curiously filled in.

When asked where he had obtained the document, the defendant said that he had paid \$20 for it. He was given the paper by a man in the compound of the Central Police Station.

Sergeant Hargreaves told his Worship that the defendant had apparently been victimised and appeared to be quite genuine in his belief that the document served as a licence, although he had had a proper licence some three years ago. His previous licence had been cancelled, but he should have known what a licence looked like.

Sergeant Hargreaves added that it might have been a teacher, who had done a similar thing to a woman last week, who had victimised the defendant.

When asked if he knew the man who had given him the paper, the defendant replied that he was a Chinese teacher who gave lessons to Europeans. He (defendant) would be able to recognise him again.

His Worship discharged the defendant, informing him that the "licence" was not in order.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?**TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.**

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the Daily Express.

Answers for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1. Where are the memorials erected by the Imperial War Graves Commission to salute African troops, and whose work are they?
2. On what English river has the development of irrigation works been deferred owing to excessive cost?
3. What interesting expedition into Mongolia is about to be made?
4. Name the largest church in the world.
5. Who wrote: *Desire and curiosity are the two eyes... that make women beautiful or fossils interesting?*
6. What is a pilaster?
7. Name the cape on the Atlantic coast of the United States most famous for its storm?
8. Give the next line after "For men may come and men may go." Who is the speaker?
9. Towards what city do orthodox Mohammedans face when praying?
10. With what does geometry deal?
11. What European country was known to the Romans as Helvetia?
12. Which English monarch ruled for the longest period?



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COMPSTON'S RECORD GOLF WIN.

SYMPATHY FOR HAGEN

[By A. C. M. Croome.]

When I lived near Oxford and played on the University course at Radley I used to count the score against one of my more frequent opponents in an easterly manner. I reckoned that I had done ill unless I beat him by at least two fields up and one to play. But I never treated my pet duffer so scornfully as Compston treated Walter Hagen at Moor Park on Friday and Saturday. Everybody, except perhaps Compston's caddy, was very sorry for Hagen. Caddies have no bowels.

It was hard that the American professional golfer should run up against a world-beating performance when he was short of practice, and possibly also of physical condition. The poor fellow was not even allowed to forget the score! A man walked round carrying a board bearing Compston's name with an incredibly large and increasing tally of figures after it!

Yet Hagen played by no means badly—quite well enough at any rate to make a word of warning to his competitors at Sandwich timely. No man may reasonably back his score in the Open Championship against Hagen's, unless he is confident in his ability to return 390 or better.

The Will to Win.

I arrived at Moor Park on Saturday just in time to see Compston play the odd on to the first green. He also had to play the odd on the second green. But Hagen missed a putt of ten feet or so to win the holes. That was practically decisive. Unless he was going to take all such chances as that he was bound to fall further behind, for Compston did not mean to lose holes. An hour's inspiring practice after breakfast with his shorter iron clubs had fixed his tail firmly to the nape of his neck.

The tale of the third round can be told quite briefly. The standard of the golf was so high as to affect the sense of perspective in the minds of the spectators. We wanted the Britisher to win, of course, but we also wanted the stranger within our gates to enjoy himself within limits. When Hagen put his ball on the green with a shot which we would gladly have taken for our best, we shook despondent heads and remarked that he had not "played" it. It was not his day for holing long putts, and he misdirected at least two short ones.

Once, and once only, Hagen found the proceedings amusing. A fine approach to the 15th green gave him a chance to get a hole back. Compston's odd stymied him hopelessly. Hagen's grim countenance beamed for a moment with a smile, and he tipped his ball up for a half.

Winner's Three Mistakes.

Compston made three mistakes. He pulled his approach to the second into a shallow bunker, and clipped his ball dead off the smoothly-raked sand. He pulled again with his iron at the ninth, and again lay dead with his next. This was one of the shots of the match. A lesser man would have pitched and trusted to luck. Compston played his ball firmly on to the low fronting bank of the green, and it bounced up with just enough life to make it run to the hole.

From the fourteenth tee Compston drove into a narrow drain which crosses the course (say) 220 yards in front of him. His drives had averaged about 280 yards. So it was a foolish action to take his driver and hit a full shot with it!

When Hagen saw Mr. Roger Wethered beat Mr. Robert Harris in the final of the Amateur Championship at Deal he remarked: "If this young fellow can play like that he has got the Open won by six strokes." He has once again seen golf played as Mr. Wethered played it on that memorable occasion. It is impossible to pay a higher compliment to Compston.

It may be worth while to give the full scores in this memorable run-away match.

First Round.
COMPSTON.
Out 4 2 5 3 4 3 2-22
Home 2 4 3 6 3 4 4 5 4-37

CRICKET WASHOUT AT HOME.

(Continued from Page 1.)

strain, and it is not expected that A. W. Carr will overwork him this season. It is evident, however, that during a brief period in which he was given the ball he bowled with deadly effect.

DIPPER IN FORM.

Just Short of Century in Each Innings.

Against Oxford University at Oxford, Dipper, Gloucester's first wicket batsman, made 110 in the first innings and 87 not out in the second.

The match was drawn, the scores being:

Gloucester: 344 and 182 (for 2 wickets).

Oxford: 315 and 44 (for 2 wickets).

Dipper's 110 enabled Gloucester to gain a lead of 29 on the first innings, and in the second they declared when Oxford needed 212 and prevented the conclusion of the match.

PROMISING YOUNGSTER.

Gibbons Hits Another Century.

At Southampton, Hampshire won on the first innings against Worcester, in spite of another fine display by Gibbons, who hit his second century in successive matches, and incidentally, the second century in his first-class career.

He is a former member of the ground staff at Lord's and is distinctly promising.

The scores were:

Worcester: 244 and 134 (for 6 wickets).

Hampshire: 329.

For Worcester, Gibbons scored 107 and for Hants, Head contributed 129.

A WASH-OUT.

One Wicket Falls at Lord's.

The South of England experienced weather much worse than in any other part of the country and the match between the M.C.C. and the West Indies at Lord's was a complete wash-out. Marylebone scored 65 (for 1 wicket) and there was no further play.

At the Oval.

Conditions at the Oval were much the same, where Essex batting first scored 94 for the loss of 2 wickets. Surrey of course had no opportunity of batting.

A Century.

At Chesterfield, Derbyshire scored 164 runs for the loss of seven wickets against Somerset and Mr. G. R. Jackson then declared. Somerset made 38 for 1 wicket but rain prevented further play. The match does not count in the championship owing to the fact that less than six hours play was possible.

The same applies to the match at Hull between Sussex and Yorkshire. Sussex went in first and scored 247, the principal contributor being Cook with 105. Yorkshire made 49 for 1 wicket—Reuter.

PING PONG MATCH.

ST. PETER'S CLUB DEFEAT R.E.

A ping pong match between the Royal Engineers Sergeants' Mess and the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club was played at the Club house last night, and resulted in a win for the Young Men's Club by 117 games to 58.

The Military men are to be congratulated on putting up such a good show in their first public appearance and after a little more experience they will no doubt prove worthy opponents of the local teams.

HAGEN.

Out 5 4 3 5 5 3 4 4-38

Home 3 4 3 5 4 3 4 5 3-34-72

COMPSTON.

Out 4 4 2 4 5 4 4 5-36

Home 2 3 3 4 4 3 4 3-30-66

HAGEN.

Out 4 5 3 5 4 5 4 5-39

Home 3 4 3 5 5 4 5 4-37-76

COMPSTON.

Out 4 3 3 4 4 3 4 4-34

Home 3 5 3 4 5 4 3 3-30-70

HAGEN.

Out 4 4 4 4 4 4 5-37

Home 3 4 4 5 5 4 5 4 3-37-74

One hole only, halved in 4.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL

FINAL POSITIONS IN THE TABLES.

The final league tables in the Hongkong Football League for season 1922/23, just concluded are as follows:—

First Division.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Chinese Ath.	20	17	2	1	51	10	38
K.O.S.B.	20	10	6	4	34	17	23
R.A.	20	11	2	7	33	22	24
Scots Guards	20	9	6	5	31	17	24
Queens Regt.	20	9	3	8	52	33	21
Kowloon	20	9	3	8	29	33	21
R.A.F.	20	5	6	9	30	28	16
H.K. Club	20	6	3	11	24	45	16
Recrelo	20	6	2	12	23	41	14
Police	20	5	3	12	14	32	13
South China	20	3	4	13	17	60	10

Junior "A" Division.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
K.O.S.B.	18	17	1	0	66	8	35
St. Joseph's	18	13	2	3	41	23	28
Chinese Ath.	18	11	2	5	33	16	22
Kowloon	18	9	4	5	19	23	20
S. China "A"	18	9	1	8	19	23	19
R.A.	18	9	1	8	29	21	19
Recrelo	18	4	3	11	17	53	11
University	18	3	5	10	17	35	11
S. China "A"	18	4	2	12	15	50	10
H.K. Club	18	1	0	17	7	21	2

* H.K. Club Reserves withdrew from the league on 24/2/23.

Junior "B" Division.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Chinese Ath.	14	12	2	0	43	12	26
Kung Woo	14	10	2	2	32	10	22
S. China "B"	14	7	2	5	24	23	16
S. China "A"	14	7	1	6	27	22	15
St. Joseph's	14	5	4	5	29	29	14
Moslem	14	4	1	9	18	30	9
Kowloon	14	3	1	10	19	44	7
Boy Scouts	14	1	1	12	22	44	3

COMEDY OF DIVIDED VILLAGE.

INHABITANTS' WEDDING RUSES.

An extraordinary situation exists in Hockliffe (Bedfordshire) owing to the fact that half the village lies on the opposite side of Watling Street and in a different ecclesiastical parish from the other half.

The Rector, the Rev. T. B. Tatham, told the Eton Bray Rural Council that half of the villagers belonged to a parish three miles away, so that he had to seek special permission from the ecclesiastical authorities to be chairman of his own school managers.

When the villagers wanted to get married at their own church they had to resort to all kinds of ruses, such as renting a room or living with a friend on the other side of the road while the banns were published.

Burial Difficulties.

If they did not they had to be married at Chalgrove Church, three miles away. Even when they died they had difficulty in getting buried in their own parish. The Watling-street boundary of the parishes, he said, was one thousand years old, and was made when there was not a single house in what was now the village of Hockliffe.

The Rural Council decided to petition the Bedfordshire County Council to alter the boundaries.

A NEW RAY FOR MEDICINE.

GERMS KILLED IN AN INSTANT.

POWERFUL LAMP.

Paris, April 17.

An important communication was made yesterday by Professor Philibert, the head of the bacteriological section of the Paris Faculty of Medicine, to the Academy of Science, on the subject of a new method of bacteria destruction by a metallic volatilising lamp. This lamp is the result of research on the part of M. J. Courtier and M. J. Kiser, who occupy high scientific posts at the Sorbonne.

The lamp is described as being made of extremely fine aluminium threads, which burn explosively under the action of a strong electric current. The rays emitted from it are of greater intensity than ultraviolet rays and approximate to the wavelength of X-rays. It is claimed that the lamp, without necessitating the expensive installation of high-tension current required for X-rays, provides a mechanism for the production of rays of great therapeutic value.

M. Rister, in using the lamp in connexion with microbe life, has achieved remarkable results. The staphylococcus, the bacillus which forms pus, was destroyed in one twenty-fifth of a second, or one hundred and fifty times faster than by means of a mercury vapour lamp giving off ultra violet rays with a 3,500 candle power. M. Rister has already shown that a selective influence can be exerted on microbes by means of rays by treating them with fluorescent substances. It is thus hoped to render possible the sterilisation of microbes in the living body without at the same time destroying the tissues.

The fluorescent substances have the effect of making microbes especially sensitive to the action of the rays, and it is regarded as possible that this fact may lead to the discovery of a means for directly attacking the tubercular bacillus in the human organism.

JERSEY'S ANGER AT INCOME TAX.

APPEAL TO PRIVY COUNCIL.

Since the introduction of the Local Income Tax Bill, strong opposition has been manifested in Jersey, but, notwithstanding, the Bill was passed by the small majority of three at the third reading. Now the Bill has passed and the date has been made retrospective, the opposition are attempting to stop it by appeal to the Privy Council, by whom all local Bills must be approved.

A largely attended public meeting was held at which a petition was read. The chief points of the petition are that the retrospective clause is unjust and unconstitutional; that a Bill based on an English Act is inapplicable to a small community, and that the principal deduction at source would create a vast amount of unnecessary expense.

Sponsors of the Bill state that the island deficit on the Budget is £31,000, and that no further source of income is available except income tax. The Privy Council will not sanction any further indirect taxation.

ESCAPES BY CONVICTS.

LORD CHIEF JUSTICE ON CHANGE OF LAW.

The Court of Criminal Appeal, composed of the Lord Chief Justice and Justices Salter and Talbot, recently considered the cases of Henry Byrne, who was sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for robbery with violence and 20 months' hard labour for attempted rape, the sentences to run concurrently, and Walter Raynor, who was sentenced to three years' penal servitude for burglary.

Lord Hewart said that both men were escaped convicts from Parkhurst Prison, and the offences were committed while they were at large. The Judge at the trial felt himself compelled in the present state of the law to make these sentences concurrent upon unexpired terms which these men were serving. In each case the net effect, if the men behaved themselves, would be that they would be in prison very little longer than if these sentences had not been passed.

The Court would certainly have increased the sentence on Byrne but for the fact that he had not been warned of the possibility consequent upon appealing.

"It is unsatisfactory," said the Lord Chief Justice, "that sentences should have to be passed in this way. As there are materials which go to show that these escapes from convict establishments are by no means rare, and that when convicts do escape they sometimes commit offences that cause terror to persons living in the neighbourhood, it seems highly desirable that the mode of passing sentence in such cases where a person is already undergoing a sentence of penal servitude could be further considered and considered no doubt it will be."

The appeals were dismissed.

"REPLEVIN."

L.C.C. TRAMCAR SEIZED AS DISTRESS.

The "symbolic seizure" of a tramcar belonging to the London County Council last July on a distress warrant, came before Mr. Justice Wright in the King's Bench Division in the form of a claim in replevin to test the validity of the distress.

"Replevin" is an action to recover possession of what has been distrained on a promise to try the legality or illegality of the seizure. The London County Council were the plaintiffs, and the Mayor and Aldermen of the Borough of Hackney the defendants.

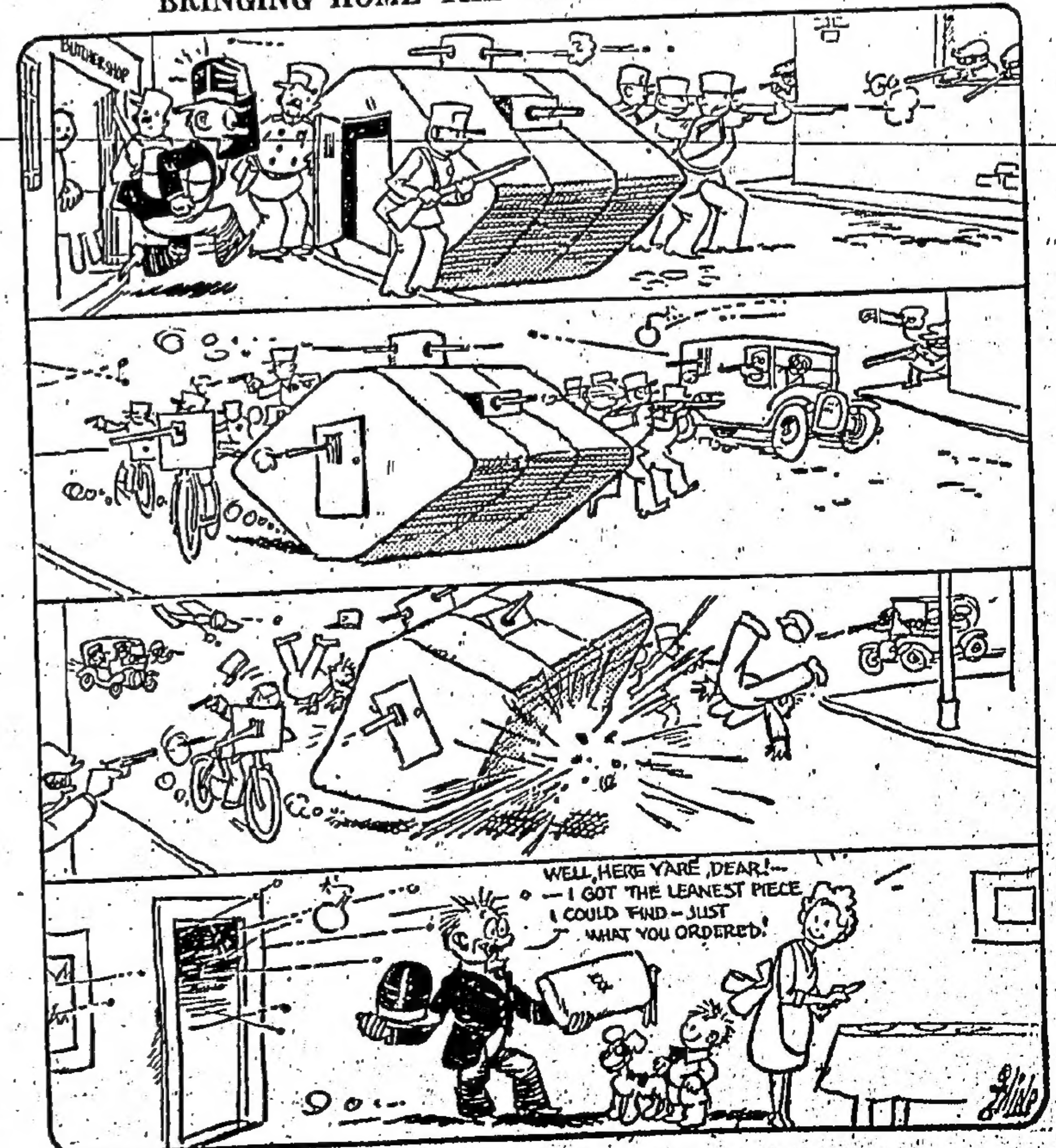
The tram was seized in a depot at Camberwell by the Hackney Corporation action on a distress warrant against the London County Council for the non-payment of £700 for rates alleged to be due on certain property.

The tram was returned to the L.C.C. on an official depositing a bond to the value of the rates claimed, with an undertaking to bring the present action to determine the legality of the distress.

The arguments in the case had not concluded when the court rose.

A Shanghai merchant, Kwok Fung, has made a gift of 2,300 copies of Chinese literary books to the Hongkong University and another 2,500 copies of other Chinese books to the Chinese Middle School.

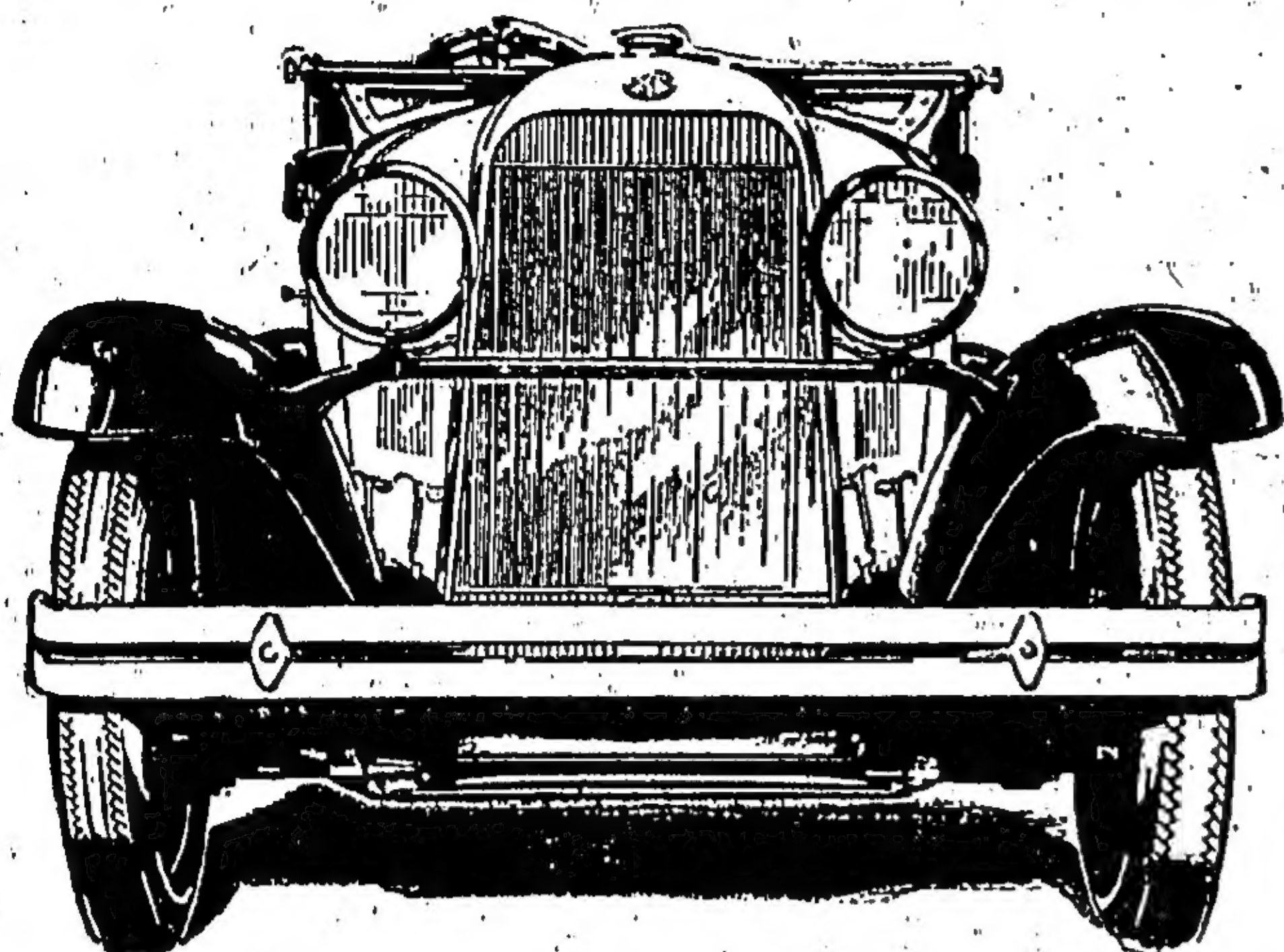
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Amsterdam, May 22.

The Royal Dutch Air Line has received a cable from the pilot, Mr. Scholte, from Khartoum as follows: "Van Lear Black and Geysserdorfer left on Monday afternoon on a special train. Hold aeroplane in readiness at Marseilles. Van Lear Black still intends to carry out the flight."—*Reuter.*

Wing and Engine Trouble.

Khartoum, May 22.

Mr. Van Lear Black has cancelled his flight owing to a damaged wing and to engine trouble. He left for Cairo last night on a special train, and if necessary will charter a special steamer at Alexandria for Marseilles, then will go to London as the second machine is not ready. He now proposes to fly to Tokyo first and to the Cape later. The date of his departure for Tokyo is uncertain.—*Reuter.*

FUTURE OF RUBBER.

LOOKING THROUGH A LONG TELESCOPE.

Singapore, May 22.

Presiding at the annual meeting of the Planters' Association of Malaya, Mr. J. S. Arter, speaking from his considerable knowledge of planters and estates in Malaya and Ceylon, said that he was certain that, failing an international agreement, their successful course now lay in a good, exhilarating professional battle.

If they got it, "Looking through a telescope two years long" he saw some disgruntled rubber brokers, tried speculators, unappeased consumers, and sadder if not wiser Dutch planting friends but planters were still extant.—*Reuter.*

DUTCH LINER SINKS.

COLLISION WITH AMERICAN STEAMER.

New York, May 22.

The Dutch liner *Veendam*, which collided with the American steamer *Porto Rico* in a fog in Lower Bay on Saturday, sank alongside the pier at Hoboken.—*Reuter's American Service.*

WORKERS BUY GREYHOUNDS.

LATEST PHASE IN DOG RACING.

"The main idea that has entered the minds of so many people is that greyhound racing was started with the view of being an 'animated roulette board,' and that the foundation of the sport is betting."

Sir William Joynson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, made this observation when replying to a deputation representing the National Greyhound Society and the National Greyhound Racing Club, which put before him their views on the Dog Racing Bill now before the House of Commons. The object of the Bill is to provide for the licensing of greyhound tracks by local authorities.

Lord Askwith, who headed the deputation, denied that there was an enormous number—176—of tracks throughout the country. There were, he said, about 40 actually running or starting. It was not anticipated that many more tracks would be wanted, but there might be 20 to 30 more established, especially in the North.

Every assistance, he said, would be given to see that juveniles did not bet.

King Alfonso's Views.

Investigations had shown that drinking had diminished in the neighbourhood of all big courses. People could not get drunk on the tracks.

Greyhound racing had been declared to be the greatest cure for boredom ever found, and the King of Spain, when at the White City, had said that it was the greatest cure for anarchy he had ever seen.

"If the 'tote' is brought in with regard to horse racing," Lord Askwith said, "it may be desirable at a later date to consider whether it would be advisable to apply it to greyhound racing, and our own idea is that it would be a good thing."

A good many working and middle-class people were co-operating to buy dogs and race them. They could not afford to buy racehorses.

The Home Secretary, in his reply, said: "You have asked me to investigate questions of disorder. I have already done that, and at the proper time I shall be prepared to tell the House what the reports of the police throughout the country show on this matter."

Sir William said that he did not suggest that in the big centres of greyhound racing there was any disorder on the course.

Cabinet to Decide.

"This Government," he continued, "has no objection to sport in any way whatever. I myself have none; I am very fond of sport."

So far as this was a sport for the multitude, in which working men could take their share, even more perhaps than they could in horse racing, the Government would not hinder it.

All the facts, he said, must be put before the Cabinet before any decision was arrived at.

With regard to juvenile betting, Sir William said that it was agreed and admitted on all hands to be an evil wherever it took place, and that had been one of the main accusations against greyhound racing.

He was glad to hear that they were prepared to see that juveniles did not bet. The evil applied, of course, not only to greyhound racing, but to any sport.

He thought the public conscience would agree that the sooner Parliament took steps to signify the feeling of the country that juvenile betting was an evil and should be stopped as far as possible the better.

Sir William assured the deputation that the Prime Minister and the Government would give full consideration to what they had said.



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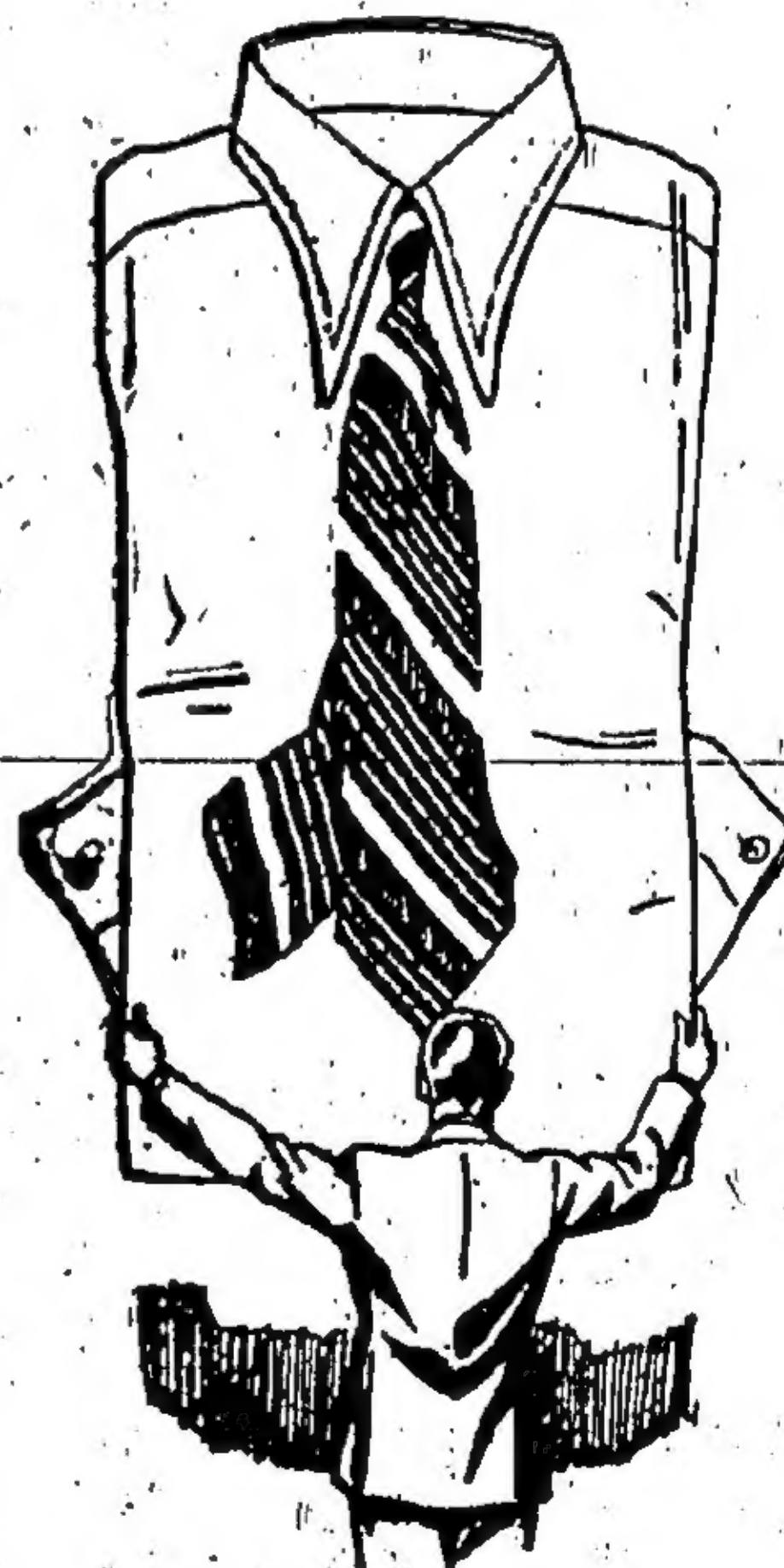
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SHANGHAI BOYCOTT PROPOSALS.

HONGS NOT TO DEAL WITH JAPANESE CARGO.

Further resolutions with reference to the proposed Japanese boycott have come to light, the most important of which are representative of the shipping firms of the port, says the N. C. D. News, of Saturday. It is understood that the representatives of the Hongkong (doubtless largely composed of delegates of the employees) met on Friday, the numbers being 70 from the Settlement, 80 from the French Concession, and 40 from Nantao, and it was decided that the measures suggested should be strictly adhered to. The resolutions in detail follow:

- 1.—That from May 14, 1928, no cargo be shipped to, or ports by Japanese steamers, and that from May 21, 1928, no cargo sent to Shanghai by Japanese steamers be cleared.
- 2.—That from May 14, shipping firms undertake no shipment of Japanese goods to other ports of China, with the exception of raw materials, which will be examined and certified by the Shanghai General Committee for Opposing the Atrocities perpetrated by Japanese troops in Tsinan.
- 3.—That a committee to inspect Japanese goods be organized.
- 4.—That in case of disputes arising among the shipping firms, the executive committee of the Chinese Shipping Merchants' Guild, Nantao, and the Chinese Mercantile Transportation Merchants' Guild, Chapel, will be referred to for arbitration and settlement.

According to the Chinese papers, certain Chinese dealers continued to handle Japanese goods after being duly warned not to do so. As a result of their action, a committee of the Labourers' League has determined the cargo.

The China Times stated that an active boycott of Japanese goods had been instituted in the Yangtze Valley, and that Chinese passengers had refused to patronize Japanese steamers.

No Collecting in Settlement.

It is understood that the request made by students to the Chinese members of the Shanghai Municipal Council that girl students should be permitted to solicit subscriptions in the Settlement for three days has been refused.

To-day will see all local students on strike if the resolutions are carried out which were adopted at the third conference of the General Students' Association, held on Tuesday. These were:

That the students of all schools be urged to effect a strike on May 17 for the initiation of an enlarged propaganda programme against Japan; that demonstration parties, consisting of three members, be organized to make tours to the surrounding districts of Shanghai for the purpose of enlightening the people on Japanese actions in China; that progress reports by such parties be regularly sent to the Association headquarters; that girl students from parties to collect subscriptions; that lecturers in the foreign concessions should maintain an attitude of

OBITUARY.

PROFESSOR HIDEYO NOGUCHI.

Accra, Gold Coast, May 22. The eminent Japanese bacteriologist, Professor Hideyo Noguchi, of the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research, who arrived here last November to investigate yellow fever, died of that disease, contracted during a laboratory experiment. —Reuter.

(Hideyo Noguchi, M. D. and D. Sc., was born in Fukushima-ken, He was the son of a poor farmer who was able to do but little for his education. By dint of great perseverance and what aid his parents could afford, he studied and worked his way through school, and after a course of hard studies in a private medical school secured a medical licence. He then became assistant at Dr. Kitazato's Laboratory. He eventually found his way to the United States where he perfected his studies. He returned to Japan in 1915. Among his publications are the following: "Smoko Venoms," "Serum Diagnosis of Syphilis," and "Butyric Acid Test.")

calmness and refrain from excitement in order to avoid misunderstandings; that special bulletins in English should be issued; that the motion picture companies be approached with a view to securing their assistance in filming current slogans; and that Dr. Hu Shih, Dr. H. C. E. Liu, President of Shanghai College, and several other prominent leaders be asked to become members of the Committee, and that lecture parties should be sent to railway stations, to points on the Yangtze River, the Grand Canal, and to Ningpo and Wenchow.

The students also decided to change the name of their weekly publication from "Shanghai Students" to "Tsinan Tragedy."

Postal Employees Roused.

Postal employees are showing a distinctly antagonistic attitude towards the Japanese. This statement is made by the Shanghai Nippo which pointed out that they are attempting to force the ousting of all foreigners from the service. There is also, the paper adds, an alarming decrease in the amount of mail delivered to Japan. Much of this matter has been stamped with anti-Japanese slogans.

A summary prepared by the Mainichi indicates that there are 6,381 Japanese residents in the Hongkong area; 6,182 in North Szechuen Road and Chapel; 831 in Yangtzepoo; and 460 in the Central District which includes the lower portion of the French Concession.

Making Boycott Pay.

The Kuo Min news agency says that definite steps for the severance of economic relations with Japan are to be immediately carried out by various local commercial bodies. These were announced by the committee for opposing Japanese aggression in Tsinan. All merchants having Japanese goods in stock are required to register them with the committee before May 31. Such merchandise will be stamped upon payment of a graduated levy according to the following schedule. Only proper-

CHILDREN'S CLUB.

FIRST MEETING TO BE HELD NEXT WEEK.

Notices were sent out a little time ago regarding the Peak Children's Club which is to be held on Fridays from 4.45 to 6.15 p.m. during June, July and August in connexion with the M.C.L., but some notices have gone astray. Any child over five years of age who has not received notice and who would like to join, will be most welcome. The subscription is \$1 per month. The first meeting will take place on Friday, 1st June, at 4.45 at Craig Ryle, 13 The Peak. A small library is to be formed, so each child is requested to bring a book to the first meeting.

INTERPORT SHOOT.

SHANGHAI SCORES 924 AGAINST HONGKONG.

Shanghai shot off last week in the interport shooting match, when the team made a total score of 924. The ranges were 200, 500 and 600 yards, and the high gun was L. A. Motu with a total of 98 out of a possible 105. Chandler was second with 94, while Albert, Doyle and Parry had 92 each.

At the same time a match against the City Rifle Club of London was contested, but with a different side. The score made was 943.

Stamped goods will be allowed to be sold on the market:

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
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| 2. Tonics | 50 |
| 3. Sea food | 30 |
| 4. Porcelain | 30 |
| 5. Silk | 30 |
| 6. Cotton | 20 |
| 7. Sugar | 30 |
| 8. Stationery | 10 |
| 9. Metals | 10 |
| 10. Pills and Patent Medicines | 50 |
| 11. Wood | 20 |
| 12. Dry goods and misc. | 70 |

In case of raw materials which are not obtainable in China only a small levy will be imposed. All merchants found in possession of unstamped goods after May 31 will be fined twice the amount.

All orders placed before May 5 are liable to payment of one-fourth of the regular levy. Upon arrival of the merchandise, the balance of the levy must be paid before the goods can be stamped and placed on the market. Merchandise ordered between May 5 and May 15 is liable to payment of a double levy, while merchants who have ordered Japanese goods since the 15th are liable to severe punishment besides paying the double levy.

Garrison Commander.

Addressing his subordinate officers and the soldiers of the 32nd Army at the Lungqua Headquarters, General Chien Ta-chun, Commander of the Shanghai and Woonung Gendarmerie, said, in part: "No matter what our personal feelings may be, we must maintain a calm attitude and have confidence in the Central Authorities who are handling the diplomatic situation to the best of their ability. Severance of economic relations with Japan may eventually help us to attain our aims; but, at the same time, we must pay special attention to our duties in protecting all foreign lives and property without discrimination and in preserving peace and order in the rear."

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A SUCCESSFUL APPEAL.

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ings, Denny and Bowley for in-
terpretation.
"The desire to obtain money
from their father's estate was evi-
dent in the appellants. This was
the direct consequence of what
was done."

Judgment Re-Affirmed.

"If the finding on the issue of
fraud in the Court below be main-
tained, the legal consequences have
been in my opinion rightly assign-
ed. The problem then is to ad-
just the principals of equity with
the position of the infant at com-
mon law. I adhere to what I have
said in the Court below. I felt
strongly the force of the argument
for the appellants that the order
of the Court below has enabled
them to do nothing which they
could not already have done with-
out it, and that the assistance of
the Court is nugatory. The legal
remedies of the appellants are not
heretofore exhausted. They may ob-
tain a declaration that they are
not liable on the personal covenant
to repay, but this will not content
them."

"The respondents have not
elected to rely upon my ruling.
In my opinion the Court should
order the co-mortgagors to be made
parties to these proceedings be-
fore varying by order this contract
of mortgage."

In my opinion this appeal should
fail.
An application by Mr. Jenkin
for a stay of execution for 14 days
was granted.

MORE LOCAL ARRESTS.

DISTRIBUTION OF SEDITIOUS
LITERATURE.

Realising the futility of openly
giving vent to their feelings
against the Japanese, Chinese
agitators have apparently substi-
tuted the more drastic methods of
showing their animosity by smash-
ing windows and giving public
orations in the streets by quietly
distributing literature containing
seditious passages calling upon
the nationals to oppose the
Japanese.

According to reports from the
Police there were none of the un-
lawful incidents which prevailed
during the last three or four days.
Greater precautions by the shop
owners combined with augmented
Police patrols have reduced win-
dow smashing to a minimum,
while the arrests of "orators"
have apparently discouraged this
form of propaganda.
Yesterday, however, a number
of irresponsible Chinese found
means of demonstrating against
the Japanese by the distribution
of seditious literature. Several
arrests were made by the Police
and, it is understood, a number
of delinquents will face the Magis-
trates this morning. The Wanchai
district has been the worst for
anti-Japanese feeling and it is
from this part of the Colony that
most of the arrests were made.

Police on duty on the Praya during
the day came across several
people who were handing out
pamphlets to their compatriots.
These were immediately seized and
the distributors marched off to
the Police Station for enquiries.
In other parts of the Colony the
arrests were made in connexion
with the distribution of papers
containing seditious.

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Huzo Kozakura, Mr. Kinzo Naka-
gawa, Mr. Edward Nimrod, Mr. Michi-
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rich, Mr. Heinrich, Mr. Chew Sing
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MIRZAPUR	6,715	26th June	Straits & Bombay
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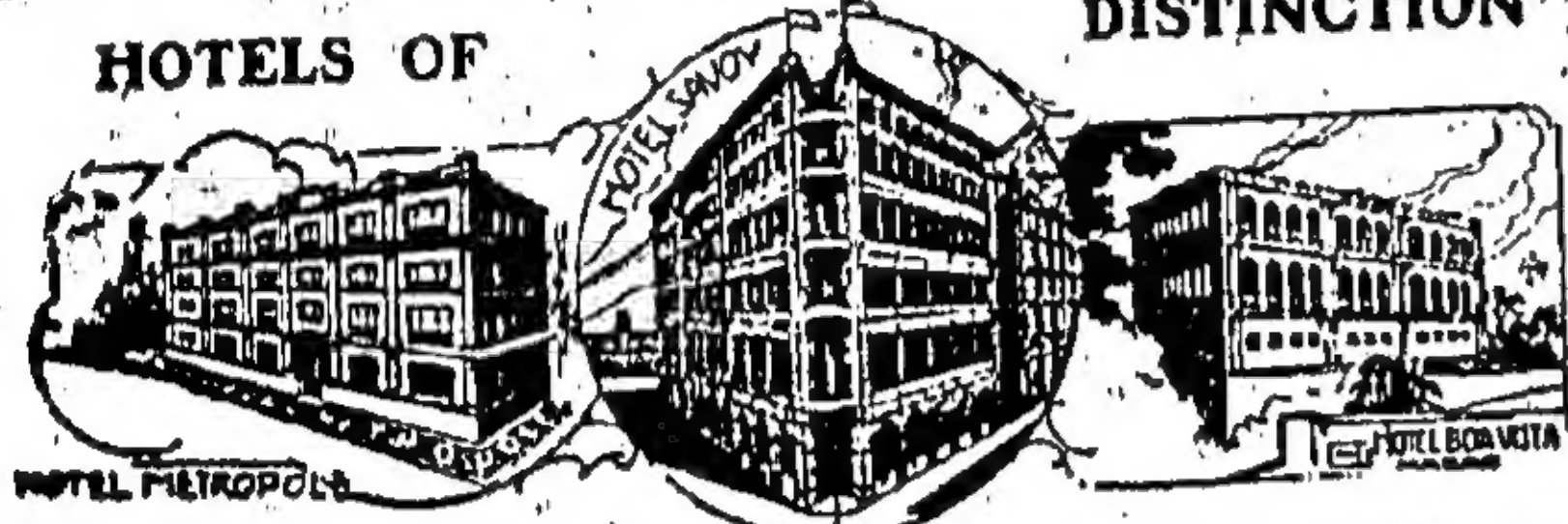
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LABOURITE IS SATISFIED
WITH EXPLANATION:

RIFLES FOR THE S.V.C.

London, May 22.

Following the Government's explanation yesterday regarding the lack of insurance facilities in Great Britain for arms shipments to China, Commander Kenworthy today questioned the Foreign Secretary regarding the issue of licences.

Captain D. H. Hacking, in reply, said that in view of the arms embargo, no licences had been issued for arms and ammunition likely to reach the contending factions in China.

A certain number of licences, however, had been issued in respect of one or two revolvers and a very small consignment of sporting rifles and ammunition for private use, and also a few licences had been issued from time to time for the supply of such war material to bodies like the Shanghai Volunteer Corps and the Chinese Maritime Customs authorities.

Commander Kenworthy expressed satisfaction with the Government's statement.—*Reuter.*

SERIOUS CHARGE.

SCHOOLBOY ANNOYS
LADIES.

Chung Yu-fan, an 18-year-old schoolboy, belonging to a well-to-do family, appeared before Major C. Willson, at the Central Police Court this morning, on a charge of indecent behaviour when he met two European ladies in Kennedy Road, at 7.30 on Monday night. He was remanded for a week on bail of \$500.

It was stated by the prosecuting police officer that on meeting the two ladies, who were walking together in Kennedy Road, defendant dismounted from his bicycle and went under the light of a street lamp, where he committed the act complained of.

It was the intention of the ladies to seize him on the spot and turn him over to a constable, but he eluded them and ran away. Later, thinking that the constable was clear, he returned by the bicycle but was arrested by a constable who appeared from cover, and taken to the Central Police Station.

PROMISING HEDJAZ
OUTLOOK.SPIRIT OF CONCILIATION IN
MESOPOTAMIA.

London, May 22.

The Colonial Office announces that the negotiations begun at Jeddah on May 8th between Sir Gilbert Clayton and the King of the Hedjaz, Ibn Saud, have made very satisfactory progress.

The conversations have now been suspended owing to the approach of the pilgrimage season, and the British Mission is returning to London to report.

It will return to Jeddah at the earliest possible moment to resume the negotiations, which throughout have been animated by a spirit of conciliation and a genuine desire to ensure good relations.—*Reuter.*

CHILDREN'S LAUNCH
TRAGEDY.OVER THIRTY DROWNED IN
RUSSIA.

Moscow, May 22.

A terrible tragedy occurred near Temruk today when a steam-launch carrying about eighty children capsized in the River Kuban.

Exciting rescue scenes followed, but thirty-four of the children were drowned.—*Reuter.*

PEKING APPOINTMENT.

London, May 22.

The War Office has announced that Colonel G. Badham Thornhill will be the new Military Attaché at Peking.—*Reuter.*

FAIR WEATHER.

To-day's Observatory report state:—The anticyclone is now central to the east of Tokyo. A depression now covers the whole of China. The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—Southerly winds, moderate; fair.

BRITISH READY FOR
CRISIS.

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It would be contrary to practice to circulate as a White Paper, the despatches containing the Japanese and the Chinese versions of the incidents at Tsinanfu.

Both versions, he pointed out, had been given full publicity in the Press, and the public therefore had the whole case before them.—*Reuter.*

HWANG FU RESIGNS POST.

Dr. C. T. Wang Likely to
Succeed Him.

Shanghai, May 23.

Mr. Hwang Fu, the Nationalist Minister for Foreign Affairs, has tendered his resignation, and the Nationalist Government has accepted it.

It is believed that Dr. C. T. Wang, who is at present at Tsinan, will be given the portfolio.

It has been known for some time that Mr. Hwang Fu has been non grata with the Nationalist Government, and the failure of his guarantees that his relations with Japan would preclude any possibility of a Sino-Japanese clash in Shantung immensely weakened his position, to the extent that he had practically no alternative but to hand in his resignation.—*Reuter.*

Mr. C. T. Wang, who is a native of Ningpo, is 46 years of age. He is a B. A. of Yale University and has been prominently associated with the Y.M.C.A. movement, having been General Secretary of the National Committee in 1916-17. After the Revolution, he served in various capacities under Li Yuan-hung, joined the Canton Military Government in 1917 and in the following year he was sent as envoy to the United States in an endeavour to secure recognition for that Government. He was also a delegate to the Paris Conference. Since then, he has held various posts, and in 1922 he was chief delegate to the Sino-Japanese Commission on Shantung affairs. He has been living in Shanghai in retirement since the Kuomintang evacuation of Peking, but in the summer of 1927 he was commissioned by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek to act as liaison officer with Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang in Honan.

Peking Evacuation.

The family of Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese Minister, were among some 200 Japanese residents in Peking who have evacuated, according to vernacular cables. The majority of them were bound for Japan, but a number went to Dairen.

A meeting was held to-day of the various foreign consulates' officials on matters pertaining to problems of communications, and the protection of foreign residents in Peking in the case of the occupation by the Southerners.

Japan Alert.

Shanghai, May 22.

That the Japanese public is taking a very serious view of the China situation is indicated by the large number of special correspondents of the leading Japanese newspapers, who have arrived in Tientsin.

It is supposed the Japanese are contemplating eventual happenings at Tientsin.

Soviet Policy Stated.

Moscow, May 22, (10.30 a.m.).

Mr. Chicherin interviewed in regard to the Tsinanfu affair and the Japanese memorandum to the Fengtien authorities said that the Soviet attitude was absolutely negative. The Soviet could not directly or indirectly approve of any intervention or military occupation, particularly of China. The Soviet Government policy was one of good neighbourly relations with China and absolute non-interference in Chinese internal affairs.

Replying to a question, M. Chicherin said that he was now informed that Japanese soldiers, after attempting to occupy the Soviet military compound in Peking later left it. He emphasised that the compound was Soviet property and no troops whatsoever had any right to occupy it.—*Reuter.*

Munitions to be Returned.

Tokyo, May 22, (7.35 p.m.).

A message from Tsinan states that as a result of the conference between the Southerners and the Japanese, Japan has agreed to return the prisoners, and the munitions captured from the local Chinese police. It is understood that the munitions will be returned to-morrow, though owing to the necessity of settling expenses and other questions, the return of the prisoners may be delayed.—*Reuter.*

Chang Chung-chang Restored.

Tientsin, May 22, (7.35 p.m.).

Chang Chung-chang has been restored to favour and has proceeded to the Tsinan front to resume command of the Shantung

STREET LIGHTING IN
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Many have been the complaints received from Peninsula residents with regard to the system of lighting, which has often been described as inadequate, but the new lamps should remove these grounds for complaint from both pedestrians and motorists, particularly the latter.

The lamp standards, which were placed in the centre of the road, rendered traffic conditions difficult on occasions, especially with the advent of the large types of buses, but with the removal of the standards more room will be available for vehicles and traffic conditions will be facilitated.

The absence of these standards will be specially beneficial at night for motor traffic and the greater power of the new electric lights will add a large measure of safety to prevailing conditions, both for motorists and pedestrians.

Up to the present a number of the standards have been removed in the vicinity of Yumati, Mongkok, and the lower end of Nathan Road, leaving a number of them remaining in the middle portion. It is hoped that the work will be completed during the course of the next few months.

The provision of these lamps in Nathan Road is by way of an experiment, and if they prove as satisfactory as anticipated, it is possible that the improvement will be extended to Hongkong or certain parts, although, we understand, the suggestion has not yet been seriously considered.

COTTON INDUSTRY
BILL.SECOND READING IN UPPER
CHAMBER.

London, May 22.

The House of Lords has passed the second reading of the Cotton Industry Bill.—*Reuter.*

This Bill prolongs for five years the operation of the Cotton Industry Act, but reduces from sixpence to threepence the levy imposed under the Act on the sale of every bale of raw cotton—a levy made for the purposes of the Empire Cotton Growing Corporation.

WHERE D'YOU GET
THAT HAT?

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In regard to the charge of possession of seditious literature, the police asked his Worship for a remand, which was granted. It is understood that the case will not be proceeded with until a translation of the documents seized is prepared by the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Kowloon Case.

A Chinese arrested in Woosung Street on Saturday evening was charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning with distributing seditious pamphlets and also with being in possession of literature containing seditious matter. On the application of Sergeant Mottram, the defendant was remanded for one week for the documents to be translated.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:—

1. Monahan, Nalrohi, and Dar-e-Salam, Tanzenyika. 2. J. A. Stevenson, 3. The Murray River, Australia. 4. An American expedition, led by Dr. Roy Chapman Andrews, whose special object is to find traces of extinct man. 5. St. Peter's, Rome. 6. Robert Louis Stevenson in his essay, "El Dorado." 7. A rectangular column or pillar, inserted partly in a wall. 8. Cape Hatteras, on the North Carolina coast. 9. "But I go on for ever." Words supposed to be spoken by a brook in Tennyson's poem, "The Brook." 10. Mecca. 11. Treats of the measurement of lines, angles, surfaces, and solids, with their various relations to one another. 12. Switzerland. 13. Queen Victoria, 1837-1901.

army who are to make a final stand against the Southerners.

In the meanwhile it is said that certain Shantung leaders in a conference have approved a resolution in favour of stopping the war and uniting with the Southerners for the purpose of wiping out the "foreign insult," and to settle the Tsinan affair.—*Reuter.*

Tientsin Schools Close.

Tientsin, May 22, (7.35 p.m.).

It is reported that the Nankai University and other Chinese schools in the vicinity of Tientsin closed down to-day owing to the proximity of the war.—*Reuter.*

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